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Heisey, I. B., D.D., Waterville, Kansas	1892	First	.....	Elmer Peterson	Elmer Peterson	.....
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Tonsing, Ernest, 701 Oak St., Valley Falls, Ks.	1935	St. Paul's ..	.....	J. Zimmerman.	Alva Knouse..	Mrs. A. Davies.
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Swihart, C. N., D.D., R. F. D., Box 240, Oklahoma City, Okla.	1902
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Wiest, Charles F., D.D., Pastor Emeritus of Trinity, Hays, Kansas	1898
Boldt, William J., Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois	1930

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Rev. Frederick H. Bloch, Pastor

FIRST SESSION: MAY 3, 1938

Preceding the formal opening of the Synod for the Convention, pastors and lay delegates, together with delegates to the conventions of the Brotherhood and to the Women's Missionary Society, assembled for the Holy Service of the Confession and Communion, Tuesday, May 3, at 9:00 a.m. The Convention Sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Charles A. Puls. The Secretary, Rev. W. Wilbur Klover, served as the liturgist, while Mr. Louis T. Bang, Synodical Treasurer, assisted in the service of Holy Communion.

The pastors and lay delegates assembled in the sanctuary of the Church for the Convention.

President Puls called the meeting to order, and formally declared the Synod to be in Convention.

ROLL CALL: The Presidents of the conferences, thru the pastors, introduced the lay delegates who were enrolled.

The following pastors were enrolled:

Rev. Frederick H. Bloch, Oklahoma City
Rev. Alfred J. Bell, Topeka
Rev. E. T. Bollinger, Wilson and Bunkerhill

The Chair introduced Dr. H. D. Hoover, the inspirational speaker for the Convention, and Dr. A. E. Bell, official representative from the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church. The Chair ruled that Doctors Bell and Hoover be recognized as Advisory Members of the Synod in Convention.

The following men were introduced and made Advisory Members of the Synod in Convention:

Dr. G. N. Mendenhall, supplying at Wellington;
Dr. Martin Schroeder, official representative of the Midwest Synod;
Pastor David E. Robison, Hutchinson, serving under the direction of the Board of American Missions in Zion Church;
Pastor E. Miller, Kansas City, Kansas, serving Trinity Church under direction of the Board of American Missions.

The Synod voted that the program as outlined by the Executive Committee be the program for the Convention.

It was voted that the Secretary send a telegram of greeting to the Augustanna Synod in Convention.

The Chair announced the absence of Dr. I. B. Heisey and Doctor Schroeder. It was voted that the Secretary send telegrams of greeting to these men.

President Puls reviewed President's Report, especially the recommendations. The report was referred to the Committee on the President's Report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

Grace be unto you and peace from God the Father and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

That the Synod, organized by a band of consecrated Christians on November 6, 1868, should continue for seventy years, may have exceeded the fondest expectations of those Lutheran pioneers then assembled at Topeka. The fact is, that under the guidance of God, the Synod has continued. We who serve the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Synod those pioneers founded, have but entered into their labors, just as we, under God, have the right to expect that others will enter into ours. "The workman is called home, but the work goes on."

The year now passed has been a year of intensive work, initiated by the greatly needed Promotional Program of the United Lutheran Church in America. Our pastors have been deluged with literature to help them present "The Whole Program of the Whole Church," and it is apparent that this program has helped us all do our work better.

In Memoriam

The Head of the Church has been gracious during the past year in that none of the Clerical members of the Synod have been called Home. Some of our lay brethren have passed away, and during the convention, a brief tribute will be paid to them.

Resignations

December 1, 1937. Rev. Sherman Frederick, Wakeeney, Kansas, to accept a call to the Homer-Hubbard charge in the Nebraska Synod.

July 1, 1937. Dr. G. C. Schaub, as pastor of Zion's Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, Kansas.

August 31, 1937. Rev. R. J. Kurz, as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Wellington, Kansas.

September 20, 1937. Rev. A. L. Groseclose, as pastor of United Lutheran Church, Fairmount, Mo., and as Statistician of the Synod.

January 7, 1938. Dr. C. N. Swihart, as pastor of First Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City. (He served as supply pastor up to April 1.)

February 27, 1938. Rev. A. W. Malin, as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Peabody, Kansas, to accept a call to St. John's, Lancaster, Kansas.

March 22, 1938. Rev. K. de Freese, as pastor at Sedalia-Cole Camp, Missouri, to take effect about May 20.

Dismissals

May 12, 1937. Rev. Burd Arganbright, ordained at Wichita '37, to the Illinois Synod.

September 13, 1937. A Letter of Honorable Dismissal was given the Rev. R. J. Kurz who has returned to his former Synod.

December 27, 1937. Rev. Sherman E. Frederick to the Synod of Nebraska.

Calls Accepted

June 15, 1937. Rev. A. J. Bell, from Des Moines, Iowa, to the First Lutheran Church, Topeka.

July 1, 1937. Rev. E. T. Bollinger, from Davenport, Iowa, to the Bunkerhill-Wilson charge.

March 1, 1938. Rev. A. W. Malin, from St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Peabody, to St. John's Lutheran Church, Lancaster.

March 20, 1938. Rev. K. de Freese, from the Sedalia-Cole Camp parish to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Peabody.

March 20, 1938. Rev. F. H. Bloch, from Missionary of the Board of American Missions to the First Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City.

Vacancies

Wakeeney, being supplied twice a month by Rev. W. H. Moeller.
Wellington, being supplied by Dr. G. N. Mendenhall.
Peabody (until May 20) being supplied by Dr. C. F. Wiest.

Synod Churches Served Directly By Board-Appointed Missionaries

Fairmount, United Lutheran Church, by Rev. F. H. Bloch from October 1, 1937, to March 15, 1938, when the church was disbanded.

Hutchinson, Zion's Lutheran Church, since July 1, served by Rev. David Robison.

Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity Lutheran Church, served up to March 20, by Dr. H. Brent Schaeffer, and from that date by Rev. E. E. Miller, board missionary.

Installations

June 27, 1937. Rev. A. J. Bell at First Lutheran Church, Topeka, by Dr. B. R. Lantz.

July 14, 1937. Rev. E. T. Bollinger at the Bunkerhill-Wilson charge, by the President, assisted by Pastors Search and Whittecar.

———— Rev. A. W. Malin at Lancaster, by Dr. W. E. Wheeler.

Ordination and Licensure

No applications.

Ministers Applying For Membership

Rev. A. J. Bell, Topeka.
Rev. E. T. Bollinger, Bunkerhill-Wilson.
Rev. F. H. Bloch, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Official Appointments

March 30, 1937. Dr. E. E. Stauffer and Dr. C. N. Swihart to install Rev. F. H. Bloch.

April 22, 1937. Dr. E. E. Stauffer, to convey Synod's greetings to the Kansas Conference of the Augustana Synod.

May 4, 1937. Dr. Andreas Bard, to convey Synod's greetings to the Mid-West Synod.

June 11, 1937. Dr. B. R. Lantz, to install Rev. A. J. Bell.

June 30, 1937. Dr. C. N. Swihart, to study the Minutes of the U. L. C. Conventions for rulings on "The Synodical Roll."

October 29, 1937. For Anniversary Appeal:
Publicity—Rev. George Whittecar.
Finance—L. W. Bauerle.
Music and Pageants—Rev. H. J. McGuire.
Evangelism—Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D.
Meetings and Rallies—The President.

February 23, 1938. Rev. A. J. Bell, as member of the Camp Committee.

March 15, 1938. Dr. Wheeler to install Rev. A. W. Malin.

March 16, 1938. As the Auditing Committee: Wayne Easterday, Chairman; F. S. Reider and Catherine Ellenberger.

Churches Closed

It is with regret that two churches have been closed during the past year. They are; St. Paul's Ottawa; and United Lutheran Church, Fairmount, Mo.

Activities of the President

April 6. Conferred with Secretary Knudsen in Kansas City, Mo., about pastor for Trinity Lutheran, Kansas City, Kansas.

April 18. Conferred with Council of Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, about a pastor.

April 21. Conferred with Joint-Council of the Sedalia-Cole Camp parish about a pastor.

April 25. Conferred with individuals at Little Rock, Arkansas, relative to a possible opening there in an already established congregation.

April 26. Conferred with Midland representative at Fremont, relative to the Student-Promotion program being presented by our Synod.

May 6. Attended the funeral service of Dr. F. M. Porch, former pastor at Topeka.

May 7. Attended a meeting of the Camp Committee at the Camp.

June 7. Met with Evangelism Committee in Kansas City.

June 14. Called meeting of the following committees at Kansas City, Missouri: Home Missions, Evangelism, Foreign Missions, Parish Education and Stewardship and formulated a program for Synod.
June 20. Gave Anniversary address at Valley Falls.
June 29 and July 12. Met with the congregation at Hutchinson.
July 14. Installed Rev. E. T. Bollinger at Wilson, Kansas.
July 18. Dedicated chapel at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga.
July 20. Met with officials at Fremont to formulate plans for Midland Appeal.
September 7, 8, 9, 10. Participated in the Promotional Rallies.
September 14-15. Attended Regional Conference of Parish and Church School Workers in Chicago.
September 16-17. Spoke to groups at Oklahoma City as part of Synodical "Follow-Up" plan.
September 26. Addressed joint meeting of Sedalia-Cole Camp churches.
September 28. Spoke at Fremont in connection with Midland Campaign Rally.
September 30. Conferred with Church Council at Wellington.
October 28. Spoke at Kansas City, Kansas.
October 31. Spoke at Brotherhood Rally of Southern Conference, Eureka.
November 18. Addressed Midland College student body.
November 29. Met with the Treasurer and Statistician of Synod to chart out "ways and means" for increasing totals of 1937 apportionment receipts.
December 9. Attended Synodical Presidents' Conference at Harrisburg, Pa.
December 13. Conferred with Church Council at Wakeeney.
January 25. Attended a meeting of the speakers for the Anniversary Appeal at Pittsburg, Pa.
January 31. Met with Midland Trustees of this Synod to devise ways and means for increasing loyalty to the cause of Christian Education.
February 3. Attended (with Secretary Klover and Treasurer Bang) the Merger-Meeting at Omaha, Nebraska, as requested by the Executive Committee of the U. L. C.
February 11. Met with the Ottawa congregation when the vote was taken to disband the congregation and turn over assets to the Synod.
February 14. Conferred with Council at Enid, Oklahoma, which is looking forward to becoming a member of our Synod.
February 14. Conferred with the Council at Oklahoma City relative to a successor to Dr. Swihart, resigned.
March 3. Conferred with the Council at Peabody relative to a successor to Pastor A. W. Malin, resigned.

Attended all meetings of the Executive Committee, the Home Missions Committee and the Board of Trustees of Midland College.

Prepared and distributed to all pastors, a MANUAL FOR THE SYNOD, embodying the duties of the various committees of the Synod.

Wrote a great number of letters in behalf of the Synod.

Prepared monthly NEWS-LETTERS, so that the pastors of the Synod might be informed of the activities within the Synod.

The Promotional Program

Our Synod was the first to hold its meetings in connection with the general plan of the U. L. C. A. Four rallies were held:

September 7, at St. Joseph, attended by 141 persons; September 8, Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Missouri, attended by 138; September 9, Eureka, attended by 125; September 10, Beloit, attended by 177. Total attendance, 581.

Participating as speakers were: Dr. Gould Wickey, Washington, D. C.; Rev. H. J. McGuire, Rev. A. J. Beil, and the President.

Commenting on the Kansas Synod meetings, Mr. A. P. Black, Stewardship Secretary of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, wrote as follows: "Your Synod has set the pace for the whole church."

The enthusiasm of the rallies was kept alive through the Synodical "follow-up" program, in which practically all the pastors participated.

The Anniversary Appeal

The Columbus Convention of the U. L. C. A. authorized an appeal for funds

by the Board of American Missions, as a commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the merger. The Appeal is being made on the basis of evangelism and the need for church extension. The active presentation of the Appeal will be made in our Synod early in the Fall.

Proposed Amendment To the U. L. C. Constitution

Synod is asked to take action on the proposed amendment to U. L. C. constitution which now reads as follows:

"No person shall be a member of more than two Boards at one and the same time."

The proposed change reads as follows: "No person shall be a member of more than one Board at one and the same time."

Ministerial Pensions

The plan proposed by the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief has been returned to the same Board for restudy. It is supposed to be submitted to our conventions for discussion and possible action.

Elections

Officers of the Synod; Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran; lay representation on the Home Missions committee; clerical and lay representation on the Midland College Board, lay representation on the Tabitha Home Board; delegates to the U. L. C. convention at Baltimore, Md.

Expenses of the President's Office

President's Expense

Receipts:		
Balance on hand from Secretary's Revolving Fund		$ 4.99
Received from L. T. Bang over period of the Synodical Year		300.00
Total Receipts		$304.99
Disbursements:		
Travel Expenses	$151.68	
Stamps and Express	79.14*	
Telephone and Telegraph	18.85	
Stationery, Form Letters, Etc.	24.46**	
Clerical Help	16.10***	
Publication of Synodical MANUAL	12.75	
Miscellaneous	5.50	
Total		$308.48
March 28, 1938	Overdraft	3.49

* Includes mailing of 1937 Minutes, about 600 Promotional Rally letters, and about 500 Midland College Campaign letters.

** Form letters (Promotional Rally and Midland letters.)

*** Includes preparation of general letters for mailing.

Recommendations

1. That the Synod engage in a season of prayer in expression of gratitude to Almighty God for the Providence with which He has surrounded us all in the work of the Church during the past year.

2. That in an effort to direct better the energies of the Auxiliaries within the Synod, as pertaining to district, conference, or Synodical rallies, that a Committee on Rallies be made a Standing Committee of the Synod, to be composed of the Presidents of: The Synod, the Missionary Society, the Brotherhood and the Luther League.

3. That a mailing list of the workers of the Synod, possibly up to 600, be compiled, and that when occasions render desirable the dissemination of information by direct method be employed: (The Secretary of the Synod shall be in charge of securing such a list.)

4. That the President of the Synod be authorized to call together any or all committees of the Synod, as soon after the convention as deemed advisable, for the purpose of formulating programs for these committees to carry out during the year to follow.

5. That the conferences of the Synod shall be more diligent to meet, as specified by the Constitution, and that when conflicts with other general programs shall arise, the conferences include same in their programs, but not exclude other matters for which the conferences were originally organized.

6. That greetings be conveyed to the conventions of Synods on contiguous territory either by the President, or by someone appointed by him.

In Closing

It has been a genuine privilege to serve the Synod as President during the synodical year now coming to a close. The brethren have been most cordial and wonderfully cooperative. The "follow-up" plan evinced a warm cooperative spirit among the pastors. The many letters of encouragement received from pastors and lay-leaders alike has made holding the office a joy as well as a responsibility. While at times we have felt that we were giving more time than we should to the work of the Synod, others in the Synod have been doing the same. This sacrificial work has resulted in a marked advance in our Synodical life, so that our Synod is looked upon as "alive" and "doing things." To make personal mention of those who have done outstanding work in the Synod is impossible. I have tried to express my appreciation to my colleagues in a peronal way.

I now turn back to the Synod the responsibilities entrusted to me by my election. Truthfully I can say, I have done my best. Unquestionably, it has been at the expense of greater and more effective work in my parish, and for the leniency of the Lawrence congregation during the past year, I owe to them my debt of gratitude.

In the conventions now being held here in Oklahoma City, let us not be afraid to venture greater things for God, but rather, take courage that He who has guided us for 70 years, will continue with us until others enter into our labors.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Puls.

Dr. C. N. Swihart extended greetings and a welcome to the Convention and made necessary announcements pertaining to entertainment of delegates.

The Convention voted to continue with the program of business as rapidly as possible.

The Secretary read the recommendations of the Executive Committee's Report. The report was duly referred to the proper committee for study.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting according to the provisions of the Constitution the Executive Committee has performed the work entrusted to it by the Synod. Four business sessions of the committee were held during the time between conventions, and the following paragraphs present the summary of the meetings:

Emporia, May 18, 1937. Approved the minutes of the final session of the Synod at Wichita. Equipped all major committees with note books for the purpose of keeping a permanent record of the activities of the various committees. Ordered the case with the C. L. Brown estate to be closed, (the officers settling the matter for $1,000.00). Prepared the way for the Board of American Missions to take over the work in Zion Church, Hutchinson. Ordered the printing of the Constitution along with the Minutes. Awarded the contract for the printing of the Kansas Synod Lutheran to Mrs. Paul Tonsing, Atchison. Appointed the necessary committees to carry on the work of the Synod.

Emporia, October 18, 1937. Reaffirmed Synod's acceptance of a goal of $15,000 toward the grand goal of $137,500 for Midland College. Appointed Dr. Lantz to organize the Synod along conference lines to bring the campaign to a successful close. Elected Mr. Wayne Easterday of Topeka as Statistician to

ill the unexpired term of Rev. A. L. Groseclose, resigned. Accepted the report of the Camp Committee.

Emporia, January 13, 1938. *Took initial steps to carify and adjust membership on the Synodical roll. *Prepared the Synodical budget. Awarded the contract for the printing of the convention bulletins and the Minutes to H. W. Miller of Lawrence. Authorized the President to appoint a fourth member on the Camp Committee. (Chair appointed Rev. A. J. Bell).

Emporia, March 18, 1938. The committee accepted the trusteeship of the Ottawa Church properties and authorized President Puls to take the necessary steps to sell the properties and bring the case to a close. Drafted the complete convention program. *Studied the matter of lay representation on the Executive Committee. *Studied the proposition of a "Kansas Synod Day" to be observed throughout the Synod and at Midland College, the plan being to enlist the sympathetic understanding of leaders in the Synod in behalf of Midland College. *Studied a resolution presented by First Church, Oklahoma City, concerning a change in the manner of entertaining delegates at the conventions of Synod.

* The Executive Committee submits the following recommendations:

1. That in view of the increased burdens assigned to the President of the Synod, and feeling that it is unfair to the congregation the President serves to require so much time to be spent doing Synodical work, and believing that the Synod will gain by having the President keep in closer touch with the work on the territory, we recommend that the Synod provide a deaconess for the Church the President serves, the cost to be borne by the Synod.

2. That the Synod adopt the following benevolent budget for 1938:

United Lutheran Treasury	$3.00
Synodical Treasury	.35
Synodical Home Missions	.50
Midland College	.75
Ministerial Education	.05
Kansas Synod Lutheran	.15
Synodical Deaconess	.20
TOTAL (APPORTIONMENT BASIS)	$5.00

3. That the Synod approve the striking out of the second sentence under Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution, which reads, "If the treasurer be a layman...." (Refer to 1937 edition, page 56.)

4. The Executive Committee indorses and seeks the approval of the Synod for a plan whereby an effective program can be inaugurated which will establish a closer relationship between prospective students on this territory and Midland College. We therefore seek Synod's indorsement on the following:

a. That Midland College receive special emphasis on a designated day throughout the Synod;

b. That a plan be worked out with Midland College whereby the school will designate an appropriate time to be known as, for example, "Kansas Synod Day," with a program of special interest to prospective students on this territory;

c. That a plan be devised whereby junior and senior high school students be taken to the city of Fremont and to Midland College for a day of special occasion;

d. That a plan of visitation of our prospective students to Midland College begin this spring;

e. That the President of the Synod be charged with the responsibility of working out a plan whereby the above propositions might become effective.

5. That the Synod vote on a resolution presented by the Council of First Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City, calling for a change in the method of the entertainment of delegates to Synodical conventions.

6. That the Synod approve the action of the Executive Committee in its aim to clarify and adjust the Synodical clerical roll, e. g.:—

a. That the name of Dr. Charles F. Weist be carried on the roll, and marked, "Pastor Emeritus."

b. That the following names be carried on the roll, marked as follows: Captain J. O. Ensrud, **Chaplain,** United States Army; Rev. A. B. Shrader, D. D., **retired.**

c. That inasmuch as Rev. E. C. Sibberson is engaged in work outside the jurisdiction of the Synod or of the United Lutheran Church, that the Synod ratify the Executive Committee's action in dropping his name from the roll.

d. Inasmuch as the Synodical Constitution, which is in harmony with the policy of the United Lutheran Church, requires clergymen who are inactive in regular ministerial duties for a period of two years to surrender their ordination certificates until such time as they resume regular pastoral duties, the Executive Committee therefore recommends that the following brethren be notified to conform to the policies of the Synod and of the United Lutheran Church, namely:
W. J. Boldt, Wheaton, Illinois; L. A. Harshman, Los Angeles, California; A. V. Johnson, Chicago, Illinois; G. P. Kirschke, Ft. Smith, Arkansas; H. E. Zimmerman, Kansas City, Missouri; F. C. Trauterman, St. Louis, Missouri.

7. That the Synod indorse the program of the Board of American Missions as outlined in the Anniversary Appeal, and instruct the Executive Committee to take such steps as will make most successful the Anniversary Appeal on this territory.

8. That the Synod be asked to consider at this convention the proposal for a merger of synods on this territory, as requested by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

The President declared the Convention adjourned until 1:30 p.m.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

SECOND SESSION: MAY 3, 1938

The afternoon session of the Convention was opened by prayer by Dr. E. E. Stauffer, following the singing of Hymn No. 129.

Laymen were appointed to serve on the Convention Committees: (See outline of convention committees.)

The report of the Camp Committee to the Executive Committee was submitted as information only. Elmer Hovland, Topeka, Kansas, who will be the Camp Manager for the 1938 season was introduced to the Synod.

REPORT OF CAMP COMMITTEE TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Committee submits the following report for 1937:

In many respects the past season has been one of the best in the history of the camp; the largest attendance, more new groups and the largest cash receipts.

Permanent Improvements

The major improvements made for the season were the building of the new chapel, 36x66 feet, seating 300 or more. The chapel is constructed of imitation log lumber and furnished with altar, pulpit, pews and piano. Another major improvement is the addition to the dining room sufficiently large to care for 100 additional diners and which may be used for an assembly or class room for smaller groups. A cement floor was laid. Two large water tanks, two boats, 100 steel folding chairs, two hot water showers for boys and girls, 50 new cots,

7 double decked beds, 12 dining room tables, electric wiring for dining hall, chapel, grounds and many other miscellaneous improvements were added, all at a cost of $2550.39.

The camp staff consisted of from seven to nine persons for most of the season. The manager was Mr. Jack May, of Wichita, and the camp chef was Mr. Al Hart, whose services have been secured for the coming season.

Financial Report

Receipts:		
Cash on Hand, October 1, 1936	$ 222.93	
Apportionment	861.40	
Group Reservations	5,624.25	
Store Receipts	817.24	
Miscellaneous	16.80	
Bank	400.00	
		$7,922.72
Disbursements:		
Chapel	$1,014.10	
Dining Room Add.	203.86	
Folding Chairs	226.35	
Cots, Beds, etc.	178.34	
Tanks, Plumbing, Heaters, Showers	352.86	
Tables, Piano	103.25	
Wiring and Water Pipes	96.37	
Other Improvements	375.26	
		$2,550.39
Disbursements Other Than Improvements:		
Salaries	$1,293.32	
Store Supplies	636.87	
Dining Room Supplies	2,378.81	
Repairs, Maintenance, Sanitation	324.77	
Sales Taxes	151.83	
Camp Caretaker	60.00	
Publicity	28.52	
Committee Expense	77.92	
Interest	143.30	
Labor	52.77	
Miscellaneous	79.86	
	$5,227.97	
Total Amount Expended for all purposes		$7,778.36
To Balance		144.36
		$7,922.72

Your committee finally settled the Cleason Brown obligation which, if interest were compounded, would have amounted to over $5,000.00, for the sum of $1,000.00. We are glad to report that the property is free from mortgage indebtedness.

The prospects for the season of 1938 are very good.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Stauffer,
W. Wilbur Klover,
Fred Biel,
L. T. Bang, Committee.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1937

	Apportionment	Paid	Specials	Total
Abilene	$ 950.00	$ 420.00	$ 100.00	$ 520.00
Atchison	1,075.00	1,035.00	202.15	1,237.00
Beloit	325.00	188.86	121.55	310.41
Bendena	945.00	262.00	1.50	263.50
Bunker Hill, Mount Zion	100.00	30.50	....	30.50
Chapman	300.00	100.00	10.50	110.50
Cole Camp, Missouri	365.00	212.41	....	212.41
Emporia	935.00	659.34	69.33	728.67
Eureka	625.00	104.57	25.33	129.90
Fort Smith, Arkansas	375.00	257.82	35.46	293.28
Glasco	580.00	285.00	71.00	356.00
Greenleaf, Trinity	250.00	119.00	33.00	152.00
**Greenleaf, St. Pauls	225.00	235.00	66.97	301.97
*Hays	475.00	475.00	196.25	671.25
Hutchinson	625.00	145.03	10.00	155.03
Kansas City, Fairmount	240.00	115.96	17.25	133.21
**Kansas City, Chil. Memorial	875.00	890.00	61.77	951.77
Kansas City, St. Marks	1,300.00	1,084.51	10.00	1,094.51
Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity	700.00	325.16	96.12	421.28
Lancaster	450.00	44.50	....	44.50
Langdon, Missouri	455.00	150.00	25.90	175.90
Lawrence	1,405.00	962.57	243.30	1,205.87
Long Island	75.00	8.75	....	8.75
New Cambria, Peace	270.00	49.00	10.00	59.00
New Cambria, St. Paul's	160.00	62.25	4.18	66.43
Norcator	230.00	95.73	19.08	114.81
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	900.00	656.67	80.60	737.27
Ottawa	....	....	....	....
Peabody	700.00	120.45	....	120.45
Perth	....	....	....	....
Rockport, Missouri	800.00	231.10	32.86	263.96
Salina	3,355.00	1,900.00	1,292.04	3,192.04
Sedalia, Missouri	365.00	204.15	....	204.15
*St. Joseph, Missouri	2,515.00	2,515.00	1,420.22	3,935.22
Topeka	450.00	233.62	25.00	258.62
*Tulsa, Oklahoma	960.00	960.00	232.24	1,192.24
Valley Falls	285.00	120.95	....	120.95
Waterville, St. Marks	500.00	307.00	22.15	329.15
Waterville, First	125.00	53.58	....	53.58
Wakeeny	350.00	72.00	....	72.00
Wellington	340.00	208.74	33.28	242.02
**Wichita	1,800.00	1,805.00	140.00	1,945.00
Wilson Ex.	295.00	68.67	18.32	86.99
	$28,135.00	$17,774.89	$4,727.35	$22,502.24

* Paid in full.
** Paid in full with excess.

TOTAL RECEIPTS 1937

1936 Cash Balance Synodical Home Missions	$ 640.22
1936 Cash Balance Ministerial Education	248.00
1936 Cash Balance Inner Missions	316.11
1936 Cash Balance Undistributed Apportionment	191.36
1937 Cash Balance Inner Missions	59.75
1937.....Apportionment	17,774.89
1937.....Specials	4,727.35
1937.....Home Mission Loan	500.00

1937.....Women's Missionary Society	40.00	
1937.....Refunds	41.96	
1937.....Ch. Mem. Church, Kansas City, Kan., Dividend	14.18	
1937.....Hutchinson Loan Refund	154.80	
1937.....American Missions, Hutchinson Loan	5,000.00	
1937.....American Missions, Hutchinson Loan	500.00	
		$30,208.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Synodical Treasury	$ 2,021.30	
Synodical Home Missions	2,028.43	
Tabitha Home Apportionment	352.00	
Ministerial Education	100.00	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	533.78	
Midland College Apportionment	2,665.00	
United Lutheran Church Apportionment	10,634.00	
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga	709.00	

SPECIALS

Tabitha Home	$ 938.87	
Foreign Missions	130.01	
Iron Mountain Boys School	53.75	
Flood Relief	743.41	
American Missions	139.21	
Home Missions	25.00	
National Lutheran Council	37.25	
Midland College Offerings	22.80	
Board of Education	11.55	
Midland College Jubilee Fund	2,638.90	
Mrs. Grace Schulz Loan (Hutchinson)	5,000.00	
		$28,784.26
		$1,424.36

1938 GENERAL FUND

Synodical Home Missions	$ 677.62	
Ministerial Education	324.00	
Inner Missions	375.86	
Undistributed Apportionment	46.88	
		$ 1,424.36
Overdraft Synodical Treasury (1936)	$ 138.20	
Overdraft Synodical Treasury (1937)	451.25	
		$ 589.45
Cash Balance Citizens National Bank Emporia, Kansas		$ 834.91

Louis T. Bang, Treasurer.

SYNODICAL DISBURSEMENTS ITEMIZED

Wichita Convention Expense—$165.00; Committee Meetings—$264.34; 1936 President's expenses, balance—53.29; Salaries—75.00; Postage—$15.75; Treasurer's Bond—$6.25; Promotion Program—24.60; 1936 Secretary's Expense—10.00; 1937 Secretary's Expense—$19.30; President's Expense—$260.00; Printing Minutes—247.50; Postage for Minutes—$15.00; Crosses—$20.08; Interest—$375.00; Educational Committee—$14.86; Office Supplies—$75.05; K. S. Lutheran—$20.25; Tabitha Home Committee Meetings—$11.40; Midland College Meetings—$97.64; Kansas City Meeting—$26.59; Valley Falls Bible—$25.00; Luther League—$75.00; Brotherhood—$15.00; Omaha Meeting—$43.60; Hutchinson Insurance—$36.00; Abstract—$16.25; Deed—$12.95.

SPECIALS ITEMIZED

Abilene—
Tabitha Home $50.00
Midland College 50.00

Atchison—
Flood Relief 69.30
American Missions 8.00
Iron Mt. School 8.75
Midland College 114.25
Tabitha Home 31.85

Beloit—
Flood Relief 10.05
Midland College 111.50

Bendena—
Flood Relief 1.50

Chapman—
Flood Relief 10.50

Emporia—
Flood Relief 19.33
Foreign Missions 50.00

Eureka—
Foreign Missions 5.23
Tabitha Home 20.10

Fort Smith—
Foreign Missions 7.00
Flood Relief 17.25
Tabitha Home 11.25

Glasco—
Flood Relief 15.00
Midland College 56.00

Greenleaf (Trinity)—
Tabitha Home 28.00
Midland College 5.00

Greenleaf (St. Pauls)—
Tabitha Home 66.97

Hays—
Flood Relief 23.25
Midland College 148.00
Tabitha Home 25.00

Hutchinson—
American Missions 10.00

Kansas City (Fairmont)—
American Missions 3.25
Midland College 10.00
Tabitha Home 4.00

Kansas City (Ch. Memorial)—
Flood Relief 41.77
Kunnarock School 20.00

Kansas City (St. Marks)—
Tabitha Home 10.00

Kansas City (Trinity)—
Foreign Missions 7.00
Flood Relief 32.50
American Missions 12.25
Tabitha Home 15.37
Midland College 29.00

Langdon, Missouri—
Tabitha Home 25.00

Lawrence—
Foreign Missions 8.12
Flood Relief 7.33
Church Extension 18.27
Midland College 125.50
Tabitha Home 86.08

New Cambria (St. Paul's)—
Tabitha Home 4.18

Norcator—
American Missions 4.27
Midland College 2.80
Tabitha Home 12.01

Oklahoma City—
Tabitha Home 61.60
Flood Relief 19.00

New Cambria (Peace)—
Tabitha Home 10.00

Rock Port, Missouri—
Tabitha Home 32.86

Salina—
Foreign Missions 17.87
Flood Relief 72.00
Tabitha Home 143.62
Midland College 1010.00
B. of Education 11.55
Lutheran Council 12.00
American Missions 25.00

St. Joseph, Missouri—
Foreign Missions 20.00
Flood Relief 165.81
American Missions 49.41
Home Missions U.L.C. 25.00
Lutheran Council 10.00
Tabitha Home 150.00
Midland College 1000.00

Topeka—
Tabitha Home 25.00

Tulsa, Oklahoma—
Iron Mt. School 25.00
Flood Relief 68.91
Foreign Missions 12.06
American Missions 6.27
Tabitha Home 120.00

Waterville (St. Marks)—
Flood Relief 17.40
Tabitha Home 4.75

Wilson—
Tabitha Home 18.32

Wichita—
Flood Relief 140.00

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

Emporia, Kansas, February 28, 1938

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas,

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

This is to advise that on February 26, 1938, there was a balance on hand in The Citizens National Bank of Emporia, Kansas, to the credit of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, the sum of $834.91.

The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas.
By: C. V. Morris,
Assistant Vice-President.

CVM:g

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

We, the undersigned committee, appointed to examine the accounts of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer, certify that we have examined the records of the treasurer, and find that at the close of business, February 25, 1938, he has a cash balance on hand, as shown by accompanying certificates from the Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, $834.91.

Total Receipts		$30,208.62
Total Disbursements (as shown by cancelled vouchers)		28,784.26
Total cash to be accounted for		$ 1,424.36
Records show that he has cash on hand in the following funds:		
Cash balance Synodical Home Mission Fund	$677.62	
Cash balance Ministerial Education Fund	324.00	
Inner Missions Fund	375.86	
Undistributed Apportionment	46.88	
Total cash to be accounted for		$ 1,424.36
Overdraft Synodical Treasury (1936)	$138.20	
Overdraft Eynodical Treasury (1937)	451.25	
Total Overdrafts		$ 589.45
Cash balance Citizens National Bank		$ 834.91

We have also examined the records of Louis T. Bang, Treasurer of the Home Mission Funds. These records show: Total receipts, $2,706.05; Disbursements $2,028.43; leaving a cash balance of $677.62, which is shown as a cash on hand balance in the Synodical Treasurer's Report.

Wayne Easterday,
Catharine Ellenberger,
F. S. Reider,
Auditing Committee.

1938 APPORTIONMENT (Quota: $5.00 Per Communicant Member)

Congregation	Communicants	Total Apportionment
Abilene	200	$ 1,000
Atchison	205	1,025
Beloit	66	330
Bendena	189	945
Bunker Hill	30	150
Chapman	60	300
Cole Camp	74	370
Emporia	195	975
Eureka	147	735
Fort Smith, Arkansas	78	390
Glasco	116	580
Greenleaf, Trinity	54	270
Greenleaf, St. Paul's	51	255
Hays	110	550

Hutchinson	90	450
Kansas City, Children's Memorial	175	875
Kansas City, St. Mark's	260	1,300
Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity	155	775
Lancaster	111	555
Langdon, Missouri	111	555
Lawrence	268	1,340
Long Island	15	75
New Cambria, Peace	75	375
New Cambria, St. Paul's	38	190
Norcatur	43	215
Oklahoma City	180	900
Peabody	140	700
Perth	30	150
Rockport, Missouri	185	925
Salina	704	3,520
Sedalia, Missouri	74	370
St. Joseph, Missouri	505	2,525
Topeka	149	745
Tulsa, Oklahoma	205	1,025
Valley Falls	57	285
Waterville, St. Mark's	100	500
Waterville, First	25	125
Wakeeney	76	380
Wellington	44	220
Wichita	358	1,790
Wilson	48	240
TOTALS	5,796	$28,980

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

The Report of the Statistician was submitted. This report, a graphic survey of the accomplished work of the various churches of Synod contained in order four graphs as follows:

Schedule 1. Comparison of 1936 and 1937 summary of statistics — increases and decreases.

Schedule 2. Chart of Membership: Baptized, confirmed, communing and contributing.

Schedule 3. Chart of congregation expenditures and all benevolences, apportioned and unapportioned.

Schedule 4. Percentages of 1937 apportionments paid.

Inasmuch as the work was so unusual and of exceptional merit and benefit, it was moved and carried, unanimously, that the Statistician be heartily commended for his valuable report. The charts were distributed to the delegates.

It was moved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate and report upon possible methods of coping with the problem presented by non-active members, whose names remain nominally upon the roll of their congregations. This committee to report whether and how it is possible to give a true picture of the congregation's confirmed membership.

Rev. M. A. Ritzen, D.D., Superintendent of Tabitha Home, was introduced to Synod and extended the courtesies of the floor. Moved and carried that the Report of Tabitha Home Trustees be made a special item of business for Wednesday morning.

The reports of the Historian and the Committee on Synodical History were submitted. Same adopted.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL HISTORIAN

Upon the request of the President of Synod each congregation was asked to appoint a Historical Committee and send the names of the same to your Synodical Historian. Up to date we have received the names of such committee from practically all parishes in our synod. To these committees have been sent a request from your Committee on Synodical History for the preparation of a complete history of every congregation in the synod.

We have continued to file all papers, minutes of synod, Kansas Synod Lutheran, accounts of anniversary celebrations and any other data upon which we could lay our hands. I am pleased to report that it seems that our congregations are becoming more conscious of the value of giving proper care of records and securing various information which will be of historical value in years to come. We would urge every church council to take steps to keep the importance of securing and caring for all historical data before the members of the several congregations.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Synodical Historian.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HISTORY

Your Committee on Synodical History has sent a communication to all Congregational Historical Committees where the names of such committees were sent to the Synodical Historian making the following requests:

1. To secure and collect all possible data concerning the beginning, organization, developments and improvements.
2. To secure the names of all charter members with pictures, if possible, with a brief historical sketch of each. Pictures of buildings, pastor, etc.
3. Give names and dates of service of pastors.
4. Secure from each organization a history of its organization and work accomplished.
5. That the history be typewritten on unlined paper, double space, leaving a two-inch margin on the left; one and one-half inch at the top and at least one-half inch at the bottom of the page.
6. That the original historical copy be sent to the committee chairman and that a copy be retained That the congregation be requested to secure a safety box especially for the purpose of making secure for all times important data and that all historical documents be kept in it.
7. That the work of preparing a history of the congregation be completed if at all possible by July 1, 1938.

From these congregational histories your committee expect to secure material for a full history of synod.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

The Report of the Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran was adopted with its recommendation.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE KANSAS SYNOD LUTHERAN

The Kansas Synod Lutheran has been published on or before the tenth of each month during the past year, with the exception of August. A special issue was published, half the usual size of the paper, in September, in order to stimulate attendance at the U. L. C. A. Promotional Conferences and cooperation in the synodical follow-up program. In order to send this issue through the mails, a change in our postal permit was made necessary, allowing for eleven issues a year, instead of ten, as formerly. In October, two extra pages of material relating to Midland College were included as an aid to the financial campaign for Midland. The campaign manager agreed that the extra cost of publication would be borne by the college.

The editor has endeavored to make the paper an organ for the dissemina-

tion of information relative to the work, plans and activities of the synod and its churches and institutions, for the promotion of the work of the United Lutheran Church, the synod and their agencies, and for strengthening bonds of unity among the churches of the synod by means of widespread interest in one another's plans and activities. He has sought to make the paper increasingly attractive, readable, and informative.

The Women's Missionary Society has contributed two columns of material, and the synodical Brotherhood, one column. Beginning with the July, 1937, issue, the space of the Missionary society was reduced from three columns to two, at the request of the editor, in order to allow more space for items of general interest.

Approximately 3725 copies are circulated each month. The paper goes into the homes of the communicant members of the synod, according to the lists of bona fide members submitted by the pastors.

Success in publishing the paper is due to the cooperation of the officers of the synod, its auxiliaries and institutions, and the pastors of the synod.

RECOMMENDATION: Inasmuch as a September issue can be of value in stimulating the fall program of the synod, and the apportionment of 15 cents normally provides funds sufficient for the purpose, I recommend that the synod authorize the continuance of the present arrangement with the post office department calling for the publication of eleven issues a year, monthly except August.

George R. Whittecar, Editor.

The Report of the Western Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE WESTERN CONFERENCE

The Western Conference met in Beloit in connection with the promotional meetings held last September. Officers were re-elected. It was voted to hold future elections at the Spring Conventions of Synod, beginning with the Synod's meeting at Oklahoma City, in 1938.

G. L. Search, President.

The Report of the Southern Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Southern Conference met in Eureka in connection with the Promotional Plan in September. The conference was instrumental in making the rally a success. No elections were held at this meeting, but it was agreed to transact the necessary business at the 1938 convention of the Synod.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

The President of the Eastern Conference reported that the Conference has held no conference meeting during the year. The report was accepted.

The report of the Committee on Last Year's minutes was presented.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAST YEAR'S MINUTES

Your committee on last year's minutes has carefully examined the printed minutes of the 1937 synodical convention and suggests the following corrections:

1. Directory of Synod, Midland College Trustees—the terms of Rev. J. A. McCulloch and Mr. John Reinhardt expire in 1940 instead of 1939, as shown in the directory. (Page 44.)

2. The constitutional amendments overlooked at the Wichita convention should be re-introduced at this convention.

(Page 20, Minutes 1936 Page 20.)

3. The amendments to the constitution of The U.L.C. were overlooked at the Wichita Convention.

(Delegates' Report, Page 22.)

4. The executive committee should report what settlement has been made regarding the notes due the Cleason Brown estate. (Page 33.)

5. The executive committee should report its findings regarding the requirements of The U.L.C. for the retention of a minister's name on the clerical roll and what application it has made of these findings. (Page 45.)

6. The board of ministerial pensions and relief should report on the opinion of Synod regarding the proposed contributory pension plan. (Page 23.)

Robert E. Gaston,
Charles Harkness.

The President explained that items One, Three, Four, Five and Six were in process of being cared for as follows:

One. The Secretary was instructed to see that the terms of Rev. J. A. McCulloch and Mr. John Reinhardt, elected trustees to Midland College, shall be designated as expiring in 1940 instead of as stated in the minutes of 1937.

Three. This item will be regularly cared for under "United Lutheran Church Program" on Wednesday.

Four. This item is included in the Camp Committee Report to Executive Committee.

Five. This item was included in the report of the Executive Committee.

Six. This item will be included in the report of the Committee on Pensions.

It was moved and carried that the following amendments be received by the Synod for action at the Convention in 1939:

Article One, Section 4, Paragraph 5: To substitute the words "The cultivation" for the present wording "the proper regulation of the human externals."

Article Three, Section 2, Paragraph 2: To add the following words after the phrase "For the prosecution of the general work of the Church," viz., "and as necessity arises he is directed to visit the congregations belonging to the Synod and confer and advise with pastors and people concerning their spiritual and temporal welfare."

Article Three, Section 3, Paragraph 1: To be amended to read—"There shall be a recording secretary of the Synod as a corporation who shall keep all official minutes of the Synod. He and any other secretaries which the Synod may elect shall begin their duties with the adjournment of the Synodical Convention at which he or they were elected."

Article Three, Section 4, Paragraph 1: To be amended to read—"The term of office of the Treasurer shall be for one year and shall begin with the adjournment of the Convention where he was elected. He shall be eligible for reelection."

Article Three, Section 5, Paragraph 1: To be amended to read—"The term of office of the Statistician shall begin with the adjournment of the Convention where he was elected."

Article Three, Section 4, Paragraph 7: The words "and the cost of which shall be paid by the Synod," shall follow the words, "which bond shall be in the custody of the president."

Article Five, Section 1, Paragraph 2: The words "an estimated budget of administrative expenses" shall be inserted so as to read "to receive the reports of the work and needs of the several boards and committees, and present an estimated budget of administrative expenses with apportionments to the annual convention;"

Article Five, Section 2, Paragraph 3: To amend the second and the third sentence of this paragraph to read, "It shall confer with the secretary of said board and with him make a budget for the necessary funds to be expended on the synodical territory for the year which budget shall be submitted for approval to said general board. The budget decided

upon by the secretary and this committee shall represent a maximum amount for the year.

Article Six, Section 1, Sub-section A; Paragraph 2: To be amended to read, "Applicants for ordination shall present to the examining committee a satisfactory written testimonial of Christian life and character from his home pastor, and the Seminary faculty and also of the course pursued in theological study."

Article Seven, Section 1, Paragraph 1: To amend the second sentence of this paragraph to read, "Their membership shall cease only by death, by regular transfer and reception into another Synod, by process under Article Nine, or on recommendation of the Executive Committee."

Article Seven, Section 1, Paragraph 4: To amend the second sentence of this paragraph to read, "He shall seek out and encourage young men and women having proper natural gifts and qualifications to prepare for full-time Christian service, etc."

Included in this motion were the following by-laws, which were declared effective at once:

1. Amend by-law "Official Paper" number 1, to read: "The editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran shall be elected by Synod, and is empowered to select his associates. The editor shall receive $25 annually for his services."
2. Add to by-laws "Convention," number 5, to read: "Delegates to the Bi-ennial convention of the United Lutheran Church shall receive $3.50 per diem toward their expenses."
3. Add to by-laws "Committees and Boards," number 8, to read: "The Synod shall select two members, one minister and one layman, as its representatives on the Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home, whose travelling expenses in attendance to regular Board meetings shall be paid by the Synod. The trustees shall select their chairman. This committee shall give to the Executive Committee of Synod a report of each board meeting and make an annual report of the proceedings of the board to Synod."

The report of the Committee on Constitution was submitted. On motion, it was re-submitted to the committee for later report.

The report of the Reporter to the "Lutheran" was adopted.

REPORT OF REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Since appointment, your reporter has dispatched six installments of "Sunflower Seeds" to the publishers. The material was collected through the obliging co-operation of the President of Synod, and the editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and by means of cards sent to pastors and laymen of synod. The aid of those who contributed is hereby gratefully acknowledged.

The synodical column first appeared in the July 21 issue, and has reappeared at intervals as material was received by the reporter. We are indebted to the editor of THE LUTHERAN, Dr. N. R. Melhorn, for a generous provision of space.

Since no appropriation was made for reminding pastors, only items coming to the attention of the reporter were requested by mail.

THE LUTHERAN can be repaid for its consideration by an enlarged subscription list.

Ernest Tonsing, Reporter.

It was moved and carried that the bounds of Synod include the ten front pews.

The report of the Committee on Brotherhood was adopted.

REPORT OF THE BROTHERHOOD COMMITTEE OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

Throughout the past year the officers and Executive Committee of the Brotherhood have made an earnest effort to extend the influence and program of the Synodical Brotherhood into each congregation of the Synod.

Realizing that one of the great needs of our church today is the development of the latent man-power of our laity, it has been the purpose of the Brotherhood to seek to impress upon the pastors and church leaders the importance of organizing Brotherhoods in all parishes where they have not been in existence, and the increasing of activity of those Brotherhoods already organized.

Two Synodical Brotherhood activities marked the past year.

A series of three Brotherhood rallies, one in each conference, were held, on these dates:

October 17, 1937, at Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City, eight congregations participating. Attendance 63. Largest attendance, Atchison.

October 24, 1937, at Glasco. Four congregations participating. Attendance 22. Largest visiting attendance, Beloit.

October 31, 1937, at Eureka. Three congregations participating. Attendance 39. Largest visiting attendance, Wichita.

Snyodical Brotherhood Week was conducted January 16 to 23, this year, and each cogregation, whether or not it contained a Brotherhood, was asked to make a special effort to adopt and get underway a definite laymen's program which would enlist the activity of each man in each congregation. Lack of definite reports from the congregations prevents a detailed report on this activity.

Several new Brotherhoods have been organized during this year, and your committee hopes to be able to report to Synod, at the close of this period of service, the largest number of Brotherhoods, with the most intensive local programs, in the history of the movement in our Synod.

Your committee also wishes to thank the Executive Committee of Synod, and the Synodical officers, for their co-operation, and the Kansas Synod Lutheran for the very liberal use of publicity space.

Evan W. Tonsing, President.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was adopted. (The committee made one correction, substituting the word "junior" for "senior" in designating the classification of Mr. Paul Close.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Your Committee on Ministerial Education would make the following report:

At the present time the synod is giving aid to one candidate for the gospel ministry, Mr. Paul Close, a member of St. John's congregation, Salina, and a member of the Junior class in Midland College. He has been able up to this school year to finance his own expense. He has been given $100.00 up to the present time with the promise that he would be provided with additional funds if required, but not to exceed the sum of $200.00.

Letters have been written to all the pastors of our synod asking for the names of promising young men who might be interested in the Gospel ministry, should God call them. The intention is to furnish these young men with appropriate literature, to enter into personal correspondence, and in some instances arrange for personal interview. Up to date we have received the names of about twelve young men. Pastors who have not yet responded to the committee's request for the names of men are urgently requested to send names as soon as possible.

Your committee would recommend that it be empowered to give financial aid to worthy applicants, if in the judgment of the committee aid is justifiable.

And that the apportionment for 1938 be 5c per communicant member.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

The report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home was submitted. Dr. Ritzen spoke to Synod about the new Girls' Home at Tabitha and told Synod about the needs for a new main building. It was moved and carried to remove from the report Paragraph 4, beginning "The greatest need of Tabitha Home, etc.", and to place the same paragraph at the end of the report under the caption "Recommendation." The recommendation was adopted. The report as a whole was adopted. It was moved and carried to reconsider the report of the trustees of Tabitha Home. The following substitute recommendation was adopted:

> "Recommendation: That the Kansas Synod endorse the purpose of Tabitha home to erect a new main building, and that the plans for its campaign for funds be submitted to this Synod at its Convention in 1939."

It was moved and carried that the report as a whole be adopted.

TABITHA HOME REPORT

For another year the grace of a kind Heavenly Father has sustained us in the work of our Inner Mission Institution, Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska. Prayers have been abundantly answered and the physical needs of the institution have been supplied by the kind hand of God. During the year many necessary repairs have been made. A mortgage of $950.00 was paid on one of our many properties received through the Aged Department. $3,334.96 was transferred to the building fund, still leaving a balance in the current fund of $862.71. The income through bequests and wills exceeded that of 1936.

The institution ministered to 77 aged and 70 children during the year. Thirteen aged passed away during 1937. The health of Tabitha Family has been good and no serious illness occurred throughout the year. It is a remarkable fact that in all the years that Tabitha Home has been connected with our Church not a single death occurred among the children. The Home is sincerely thankful to God for His care in behalf of these children.

The new girls' cottage, Bethel, was completed in September and dedicated September 10. The building gives full satisfaction and no important mistakes have been made in its erection. The building was erected at a cost of $21,400. The rooms were furnished mostly by congregations and individuals.

It is hoped that the Synod of Kansas and adjacent states will continue to support Tabitha as they have in the past. Our work becomes greater each year as many aged find themselves destitute and the receipts through the Aged Department are becoming less each year. Many applications must be refused because of a lack of room.

Recommendation:

The greatest need of Tabitha Home is a new Main Building. The old building was erected in 1892 and requires constant repairs. There are but few single bed rooms in the building, which is by no means an ideal situation. The Board asks the indorsement of the Synods for an appeal throughout Tabitha Home Territory for $100,000 in 1940 in order that a new Main Building may become a possibility.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Guenther,
D. L. McConnel.

TABITHA HOME FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1937, To December 31, 1937

Receipts

Aged Department	$11,421.84
Children's Department	1,300.77
Donations	7,834.64
District Synods	3,139.88
United Lutheran Church	2,208.92
Lincoln Community Chest	2,632.41
Bequests	4,284.96
Annuity Bond	500.00
Messenger Subscriptions	2.90
Sold Cancelled Stamps	92.08
Interest Received	524.86
Miscellaneous Receipts	43.05
Telephones & Telegrams	15.33
Total Receipts	$34,001.64

Disbursements

Auto Expenses	$ 1,341.36
Aged Allowance, etc.	62.29
Auditing & Legal	275.35
Clothing	271.55
Express & Postage	271.55
Food	6,816.14
Fuel	2,217.21
Funeral Expenses	626.37
Hospital, Drugs & Physician	735.08
House Supplies	410.52
Insurance	665.55
Interest	458.65
Laundry	1,661.11
Lights, Power & Gas	1,036.72
Miscellaneous Expenses	526.86
Printing	347.45
Refund from Aged Department	500.00
Repairs	1,741.16
Salaries	9,941.35
Taxes	189.76
Telephone	168.33
Travel Expen., Board & Supt.	370.70
Water	280.46
Yard Improvement	232.90
Total Disbursements	$30,995.40

Nebraska Synod Donations		$ 1,122.10
Apportionment		1,933.98
Total		$ 3,056.08
Synod in the Midwest:		
Donations		$ 2,070.58
Apportionment		193.09
Total		$ 2,263.67
Synod of Kansas & Adjacent States: Donations		$ 1,407.02
Apportionment		412.40
Total		$ 1,819.42
Iowa Synod Donations		$ 495.94
Apportionment		300.00
Total		$ 795.94
Rocky Mountain Synod:		
Donations		$ 213.61
Apportionment		215.00
Total		$ 428.61
Wartburg Synod Donations		$ 317.67
Texas Synod Donations		113.93
Synod of Northwest Apportionment		35.41
Balance January 1, 1937		$ 2,141.43
Receipts, 1937		34,001.64
Total Cash		$36,143.07
Expenses		30,995.40
Balance		$ 5,147.67
Pd. Mortgage on Property	950.00	
Put into Bldg. Fund	3,334.96	4,284.96
Balance January 1, 1938		$ 862.71

D. L. McConnel.
W. H. Guenther,

Since it was then 4:20, it was moved and carried that the Synod be given ten minutes recess prior to gathering for separated meetings of laymen and pastors. At 4:30, the pastors were addressed by Dr. H. D. Hoover, and the laymen by the Rev. Frederick H. Bloch.

Geo. L. Search, Secretary Pro Tem.

THIRD SESSION: MAY 4, 1938

The Third session of the Convention got under way at 8:45 a.m., the Devotional Service being conducted by Dr. A. E. Bell, in the absence of Dr. Andreas Bard, Convention Chaplain, who was prevented from conducting the meeting due to stormy weather conditions.

The Committee on the Minutes reported that the Secretary's minutes were satisfactory and the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Constitution was presented by Rev. A. W. Malin.

Dr. A. E. Bell, of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, spoke on the problem of the Clerical Roll. Voted that the report, which follows, be tabled for one year:

"REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION

In order to codify the declaration of the United Lutheran Church, as expressed in past conventions on this question and to clarify and adjust the Synodical Clerical Roll, the Committee on Constitution recommends that every pastor of the Synod acquaint himself thoroughly with Article Seven of the Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, which he has been called upon to subscribe to and sign, and, should the occasion arise, that he be not engaged in regular ministerial work, that Synod, through its President, act in the matter according to Article Seven, Section 7, of the Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Malin, Chairman."

Report on Luther League was adopted, including the recommendation.

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE

During the year 1937 the Synodical Luther League held as its objective the organization of all synodical and conference activities along the three general aims of Education, Life Service and Missions. All the synodical secretaries of the various departments were given the "handbook" on Luther League organization, and several of the departments have developed in activity and service as the result. The League hopes to develop a Synodical, conference, and local program which will fulfill the general aims of the League, and we are happy to report progress.

The three conferences held their regular rallies at various points during the year. This at present is the only conference activity enjoyed by the Leagues.

The Executive Committee met three times during the year. We are happy to report that the Synodical League contributed its apportioned amount in full to both the National League and the Missionary Objective. Current bills are paid and a small balance is on hand. The present missionary objective is a $10,000 project at Konnarock and our part is to be $200, due in full by June 1, 1939.

The annual Luther League Convention and Camp was held at Washunga during July. The program was arranged after the three objectives and all leadership was from our own synod. The League wishes to obtain and develop into leadership the individuals from its own synodical group. This year's program will follow the same outline as has been used so successfully these last two years.

We would urge all pastors to be interested in the Luther League Day in September; explain the work of the Luther League to their congregations, and enlist the support of the elders as well as the youth in this great program.

The Luther Leaguers wish to express their sincere appreciation to the Synod for the very gracious and willing support of their work. The annual grant that is given the Luther League by Synod has made possible the splendid program given to the youth at our annual convention and camp. The youth of Synod wish to trank you from very appreciative hearts.

The sponsors recommend that Synod grant the petition of the Synodical

Luther League for $75 during the year of 1938.

Signed: Rev. H. J. McGuire.

The Convention voted to consider the matter of the merger, as a matter of special report, at 1:30 p.m., this date.

Report on the Examining Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Thus far this year there have been no applicants desiring entrance into our synod by ordination, licensure, or otherwise where it is necessary to appear before the examining Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

O. W. Ebright, Chairman.

Report of the Parish and Church School Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Parish and Church School Committee at the Sixty-ninth annual convention of the Synod, offered to the Synod a definite program for Parish betterment. The synod accepted this program, and went away to put it into effect or to forget about it. We have reason to believe some of the Parishes have benefitted already by this program.

Shortly after the meeting of Synod, The Parish and Church School Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, came out with a similar program; however there are no conflicts in the two programs. In carrying out the Kansas Synod program we automatically carry out the Program of The Parish and Church School Board of our United Lutheran Church.

Three letters of encouragement have gone out from the committee during the year — two questionnaires were sent out. Dr. C. H. B. Lewis was brot into our Synod, and visited ten of the most centrally located Churches. However, from the attendance of the conferences conducted by Dr. Lewis, it would seem that not so many were interested.

The Synod has a definite program, a helpful program. Its success depends on each and every individual pastor in our synod. The success of the Church depends upon the carrying out of such or a similar program.

C. P. Karriker, Chairman.

Report of the Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence was adopted. The recommendations of the report were adopted. The report as a whole was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP AND BENEVOLENCE

The Committee met in Kansas City, Mo., in June to plan a larger program of activity. As a result of this meeting the chairman of the Committee has written 58 letters to pastors and 283 letters to members of local Every Member Visitation Committees of all churches whose pastors responded to our request for names. Several articles have appeared in the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and the chairman addressed the Visitation group at Lawrence.

We are happy to observe that contributions to benevolence have been higher during the past year than for a long period. We congratulate pastors and people who have so generously responded to the divine call to support the work of the Gospel.

To meet the intent of previous action, we recommend that all pastors avail themselves of the benefit of the Loan Library maintained by the Laymen's

Movement. If the catalogue has been destroyed another may be secured by writing Mr. Arthur Black, 700 Chandler Building, 1427 Eye St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

We recommend that a continuous effort be made to stimulate the spirit of stewardship by showing its spiritual and Biblical basis and by disseminating the fullest information concerning the activities supported from the apportionment.

We further urge that pastors give more ready co-operation to the efforts of the Committee by replying to correspondence, and by putting into effect plans that are suggested, so far as they can be made to harmonize with local plans.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McCulloch.

Recommendations Relative To the Teaching of Stewardship In Theological Seminary

Inasmuch as there is a definite need for a wider appreciation, on the part of pastors and laymen, of the significance of the principles of stewardship that underlie the entire program of the Church; and inasmuch as the teaching of stewardship principles to the laity of the Church is a very definite responsibility of the Church's ministers; and inasmuch as it would strengthen the Church of the future for ministers to be better equipped to direct the laity in the principles of stewardship, we recommend:

That the faculty of Western Theological Seminary be requested to place greater emphasis, in their instruction in practical theology, on ways and means of developing the practice of principles of stewardship among laymen of the Church, and

That the Synod's representatives on the Board of Trustees of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary be instructed to seek action on the part of that board making such request of the seminary faculty.

J. A. McCulloch.

The report of the Trustees of Midland College was presented.

Voted that Dr. H. F. Martin, President of Midland College, be received as an Advisory Member of the Synod in Convention. Dr. Martin addressed the Convention concerning Midland College. It was agreed to consider the recommendations of the report seri-atem.

REPORT OF MIDLAND TRUSTEES

The Golden Jubilee of Midland College is drawing to a close. The climax of the celebration of fifty years of Christian achievement will begin on May 22nd of this year and end on Commencement Day, June 1st. The Jubilee commemoration has had a two-fold aspect.

On account of the notable event many scholastic, inspirational and social assemblies have been held. Beginning with an address by the President of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Rev. F. H. Knubel, D.D. LL.D., May 2nd, 1937, on the subject, "The Church's Appeal to the Man Who Thinks," the Jubilee motif became a part of Founder's Day, Home Coming Day, Christian Citizenship Day and numerous other occasions. A committee of fifty-two honorary sponsors were selected to aid in the effort to bring famous speakers to Midland and keep the College before the public in a favorable light. Valuable historical data has been collected during the year. Much credit should be given to Mr. W. Emerson Reck of the School of Journalism and his committee who have conceived and tirelessly promoted this program.

The second aim of the celebration was to place Midland on a more secure financial basis. The Board of Trustees set a goal of $137,500, the principal sum of which was to retire bonds due in December of this year and erect a Boy's Dormitory. The Board adopted a plan to raise the money. A greater Midland Rally was held at Fremont, September 28, 1937, attended by 87 pastors and leaders of the constituent Synods. The campaign plan was endorsed at this

Rally. The Rev. Thomas Rinde and the Rev. Lightner Swan were called to direct the Appeal. Letters of appeal were sent to pastors by the various Synodical presidents. Speakers were provided by the College. Exceptionally fine Bulletins were offered the pastors for their Church services. The poster and other literature was of the highest order. In Kansas Synod the organization was by Conferences. The Board aimed at efficiency and economy in the conduct of the campaign. We feel the results were not commensurate with the efforts put forth and the greatness of the cause. The subscriptions and receipts to March 1st are as follows:

Synod of Kansas Subscribed	$2,973.00	Paid	$2,973.90
The Nebraska Synod Subscribed	2,268.25	Paid	1,926.86
The Synod of the Mid-West Subscribed	197.00	Paid	292.28
The Rocky Mountain Synod Subscribed	195.00	Paid	418.59
The Texas Synod None Reported	.....	Paid	631.13
The California Synod None Reported	.....	Paid	883.15
Others Subscribed	150.00	Paid	40.00
Total	.....		$7,165.91 Cash

The cost of the campaign was $5,959.12.

A large number of pastors in the various Synods have signified that the campaign will be conducted where no reports or partial reports have been sent.

The campaign in Fremont will be in September, 1938. Naturally the city desires the erection of a new building on the campus and the Board has agreed that the money raised in Fremont should be used for the Boys' Dormitory.

In addition to the funds received in the campaign, Mr. Reck's committee has raised $1,635.53 cash and a mortgage bond listed at $4,000.00, from the friends and alumni of the College for the Golden Jubilee Chest.

ENROLLMENT

Midland enrolled 283 students the first semester. 78 of these students were U. L. C. Lutherans, 27 per cent of the student body. 34 students were from other Lutheran bodies.

285 students enrolled for the second semester. This is the first time in Midland history a second term enrollment topped a first semester.

15 Faculty members offered 72 courses to 251 students in the Summer School.

33 Seniors graduated last Commencement. Diplomas and certificates were given to 87 others.

Altogether 622 students attended Midland this past year.

THE WESTERN SEMINARY

The Seminary opened with 6 students. Eight are in attendance at present. Two graduated last year. Three will graduate this year, all eligible for the B. D. degree. They have received calls.

Your trustees presented the resolution adopted at the Wichita convention relative to the closing of the Seminary in the Fall of 1937. After a clear presentation of Synod's attitude and a thorough discussion, the trustees voted unanimously to continue theological education at Western.

Students and Faculty have been out preaching practically every Sunday of the school year.

$1,000 has been received from the estate of the Rev. Fred Christ, the interest of which will be given as a prize to the Junior for the best essay on the subject of "Thought in Relation to Religion."

Of Midland's $160,000 of endowment, the Seminary has $35,000.

Rev. Thomas D. Rinde was called to be professor of Historical Theology.

Three full time professors and two lecturers in special departments are doing the work in the Seminary.

Finances

Receipts for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1937:

Departmental	$ 84,420	
Other Receipts	28,319	
Total		$112,739

Expenses

Departmental	$ 76,562	
Other Disbursements	35,706	
Total		112,268
Gross receipts of other activities	4,642	
Expenditures of other activities	9,355	
Net loss on other activities		4,713
Total expense and loss for year ending August 31, 1937	$116,982	
Net operating loss	4,243	

CURRENT OPERATING SURPLUS ANALYSIS

Deficit as of September 1, 1936	$ 5,041	
Credits for year ending August 31, 1937	12,593	
Balance in favor of Credits		$ 7,552
Debits		8,125
Deficit August 1, 1937		$ 573

The entire indebtedness of the College to March 1, 1938, including outstanding bonds is:

Mortgages on Endowment Property borrowed for Operating Expenses	$ 3,183.22
Bonds outstanding	62,900.00
Girls' Dormitory Bonds or Notes	545.00
Notes, secured by collateral	13,300.00
Accounts Payable, approx.	6,000.00
Accrued Payroll, approx.	5,930.00
Total	$91,858.22

In the transfer of endowment securities only unassigned endowment has been effected.

The Board of Education has given $2,000 this year for bond payment in addition to its grant of $8,400.

The Board took action last year to place the College on a cash basis. While this action has not been realized, progress has been made.

Special committees have worked to direct the Choir, Athletics and Concessions so that deficits might be prevented and yet the largest possible service given to the College.

Annuity Bonds similar to the kind which have brought large returns to other Colleges are offered to any of our older people who desire a safe investment for their money.

The Finances of Midland will be brought into accord with the American Council of Education.

D. WILSON CROUSE

The College sustained a great loss during the year in the death of D. W. Crouse, member of Midland's Faculty for 31 years and head of the Physics Department since 1919. Professor Crouse, who was nationally known in the field of science, was a real Christian gentleman.

GENERAL

The Rev. Lightner Swan was called last year to become Field Representative.

A proposal has been submitted to provide a Sustaining Membership for the College. The object is to guarantee a permanent monthly income.

Improvement has been made in the chapel services the past year.

A hundred persons participated in the annual Pastors' and Students' Conference.

The "Midland" under W. Emerson Reck, was one of nine College weeklies to secure "all American rating." This is the third consecutive year the Midland has won this coveted honor.

The placement Bureau has been unusually successful in placing practically all last year's graduates who desired its services.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That 75 cents be apportioned for Midland College and Western Theological Serminary.

2. That, inasmuch as the Synod voted $15,000 to the Golden Jubilee Appeal, all pastors make conscientious effort to raise their quotas as early as possible.

3. That the Executive Committee be authorized to borrow a sufficient amount to pay the unpaid balance on Synod's quota on or before November 15, 1938. The interest shall be paid out of the Synodical treasury. All money raised for this fund shall be sent to the treasurer of Synod to apply on the principal.

4. That the secretary be instructed to write the Board of Education expressing the Synod's sincere appreciation of its generous gift of $2,000 to apply on bond payment and for its annual grant of $8,400.

5. That the secretary be instructed to write to the Fremont Chamber of Commerce advising the business men of that city of this Synod's appreciation of its support of Midland College and thanking them for their contemplated participation in the Golden Jubilee Appeal in September in which they will undertake to raise funds for a Boys' Dormitory and further that we assure the Chamber that this Synod will continue to give its loyal support to the College.

6. That this Synod urge upon the Board of Trustees of Midland College the desirability of reducing the number of members on its Board to 20, to be apportioned as follows: Nebraska Synod, 4; Midwest Synod 4; Kansas Synod 4; Alumni 2; Dodge County 3; Texas Synod 1; Rocky Mountain Synod 2. It is recommended that Synods having two or more trustees, should elect an equal number of clerical and lay members.

7. That this Synod urge upon the Board, the desirability of meeting three times a year (Fall, Mid-term and Commencement) and of remaining a longer time for transaction of business and personal contacts.

8. That this Synod urge upon the Board of Trustees the desirability of separating the administration of Western Theological Seminary from that of the College for an experimental period of five years, to begin, if possible in the Fall of 1939. It is understood there is to be no change in status, financial or otherwise, or of location in the meantime.

9. That this Synod urge upon the Board of Trustees the changing of the charter and the creation of a separate Board to govern Western Seminary, to be elected by the supporting Synods as follows: Nebraska 2; Midwest 2; Kansas 2; Iowa 2; Texas 1; Rocky Mountain 1; total of 10. Synods represented by two shall chose one of their number from the laity.

10. That the Board of Education be advised of the position of this Synod in the matter of the above changes and that Dr. Walter H. Traub of Omaha, Nebraska, a member of the Board of Education, be asked to bring this matter to the attention of the Board.

11. That if it is deemed necessary to meet the additional expense incurred by the creation of this Board and for trustee's meetings, a small apportionment not to exceed ten cents, be made for this purpose.

12. That to promote the College and secure students for Midland, the following program to be approved:

a — Arrange for the display of pictures of Midland in suitable places in our Churches.

b — Secure from each pastor every year, names and addresses of every Lutheran boy or girl who is a Junior or Senior in the High School of his pastorate and of any other young people who might be influenced for Midland.

c — Arrange for a KANSAS SYNOD DAY at Midland each Spring, to which all High School Juniors and Seniors from our Lutheran Churches will be invited. The expenses of this trip will be borne by the Synod. Pastors will be asked to take a carload of students and thus reduce expenses to the minimum.

d — Arrange for a MIDLAND DAY in the Synod, a few weeks previous to Kansas Synod Day at the College, on which day Christian education shall be stressed in our Churches and the claims of Midland College presented to parents and Lutheran young people.

e — Cooperate with the College in scheduling annually, a series of definitely Christian lectures, to be known as "The Kansas Synod Lectures" to be

given once a month throughout the school year.

f — Encourage the establishment of loan funds by our congregations, to be made available to students selecting Midland College from their own Churches.

g — Encourage our pastors to attend the annual Pastors and Students Conference at Fremont by appropriating funds to defray their transportation expenses.

13. That the Kansas Synod trustees of the College and Seminary and the Executive committee of Snyod be charged with the responsibility of effecting the promotional part of this new program.

Respectfully submitted for the Trustees,

Benjamin R. Lantz.

Recommendation No. 1—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 2—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 3—Lost.
Recommendation No. 4—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 5—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 6—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 7—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 8—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 9—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 10—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 11—Adopted.
Recommendation No. 12—Voted to table the report until the convention received the report on the Executive Committee's report.
Recommendation No. 13—Voted to table this recommendation until after the consideration of the report on the Executive Committee's report.

Report of the Committee on the President's Report, which is as follows:

"REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee on the President's Report wishes to commend the President on the completeness of his report and the zeal he has manifested in the performance of his duties. It offers for your approval the recommendations as presented in the report.

Charles A. Harkness, Jr., Chairman."

The recommendations of the President's Report were considered seri-atem. Recommendations Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 were adopted. The report as a whole was adopted.

Voted to recess for ten minutes, to return at 11:30 to hear an address by Dr. A. E. Bell.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH, 1:50 P.M.

The fourth session of the convention was opened with prayer by Rev. E. Victor Roland.

The report concerning the Executive Committee's Report was adopted with the following changes:

Recommendation No. 1. The words, "Synodical Assistant" substituted for "Deaconess."

Recommendation No. 2. The budget was changed to permit Tabitha Home to receive $0.05; while the item of Home Missions was changed from $0.50 to $0.45.

Recommendation No. 3. Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Recommendation No. 4. a, Adopted;
b, Adopted;

c. Amended as follows: That a plan be devised whereby such junior and senior high school students, together with high school graduates who have been out of school for a short time, who are recommended by pastors as seriously considering a higher education in a Christian college may be taken to Midland College for a day of special occasion; and that any expense incurred by such a visitation be equally divided between the Synod and the college.

d. Adopted;

e. Amended as follows: That the President of the Synod and our Trustees of the institution be charged with the responsibility of working out a plan whereby the above propositions might become effective.

Recommendation No. 5. Lost;

Recommendation No. 6. a. Adopted;

b. Adopted;

c. Voted to postpone action for one year;

d. Voted to postpone action for one year.

Recommendation No. 7. Adopted;

Recommendation No. 8. Adopted.

* The convention voted that Recommendation No. 3 of the Executive Committee's Report be amended and referred to the Committee on Constitution for future action: "That Article V, Section 1, be amended by inserting after the words 'together with' the following: one pastor and one layman from each of the three conferences, to be elected by ballot by the Synod."

Pastors Hartenberger, Schmidtke, and Pittelkopp of the Missouri Synod were introduced and voted advisory members of the convention.

ELECTIONS

The convention elected the following:

President—Rev. Charles A. Puls.
Secretary—Rev. W. Wilbur Klover.
Treasurer—Mr. Louis T. Bang.
Historian—Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D.D.
Statistician—Mr. Wayne Easterday.
Laymen to the Executive Committee—H. T. Jost and A. P. Sanborn.
Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran—Rev. George R. Whittecar.
Trustees to Midland College—Rev. William E. Wheeler, D.D., and Mr. Ira Koogle.

The following delegates were elected to the U. L. C. A. Convention:

Cleric—

Wheeler, W. E.; Alternate—Whittecar, G. R.
McGuire, H. J.; Alternate—Lantz, B. R.
McCulloch, J. A.; Alternate—Search, G. R.
Puls, C. H. (ex-officio); Alternate—Bell, A. J.

Lay—

Easterday, W.; Alternate—Sanborn, A. P.
Olson, A. T.; Alternate—Bishop, D. F.
Harkness, C. A., Jr.; Alternate—Sibole, B. P.
Simmons, H. W.; Alternate—Bang, L. T.

Home Missions Committee Elections:

Lay Member—Mr. A. F. Myser.
Clerics—Harrison, E. R., and Moeller, W. H.

The report of the Committee on Claims was presented and adopted, the same on file in the treasurer's records.

The subsidiary report of Conference Elections was adopted.

REPORT ON CONFERENCE ELECTIONS, MAY 4, 1938

Eastern Conference: President, Rev. Ernest Tonsing; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Fred Kloepper, Lancaster, Kans.

Southern Conference: President, Rev. K. de Freese, Peabody, Kansas; secretary-treasurer, Dr. O. W. Ebright, Emporia, Kansas.

Western Conference: President, Rev. George R. Whittecar, Beloit, Kansas; secretary-treasurer, Rev. E. T. Bollinger, Bunkerhill, Kansas.

Reported by Rev. George L. Search.

Dr. A. E. Bell, official representative of the Executive Board, presented the case of the proposed merger of the Iowa, Kansas, Midwest, and Nebraska Synods.

Dr. Martin Schroeder, Lincoln, Nebr., brought greetings from the Midwest Synod and urged action toward a merger of Synods on this territory.

The convention voted unanimously to indorse the findings of the Joint Omaha Committee, and authorized the President to appoint a commission of three members, one of whom shall be himself, to further study and develop merger plans in conference and counsel with similar committees from other favoring Synods.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

This committee was convened by the President of the Synod in Kansas City, Missouri, June 7. The scope of committee was enlarged by a suggested coordinating activity of the other Snyodical Committees. The Promotional Program carried its messages of Evangelism, not alone in group meetings, but to the Congregations in the Synod. Congregations have manifested renewed interest. Twenty committees were reported. A helpful handbook on Personal Evangelism was sent to all pastors through the President's office.

The Anniversary Appeal which is to reach its climax this year is built around Evangelism and church extension.

The special Synodical Emphasis placed on Evangelism this past year will continue to accomplish greater things in the days to come.

C. N. Swihart, Chairman.

The convention elected Mr. William Guenther to serve an additional term on the Tabitha Home Board.

Mrs. G. K. Mykland extended greetings to the Synod from the Women's Missionary Society.

The convention removed from the table items No. 12 and 13 of the Report of the Trustees of Midland College:

No. 12. a, Adopted;
b, Add: "and send the names to the President of the Synod."
c, Lost;
d, Adopted;

e, Add: "That the President of the College and the President of Synod arrange for occasional lectures."
f, Adopted;
g. Lost.
No. 13. Lost.
The report as a whole was adopted.

It was voted that in order to expedite business that Dr. H. D. Hoover's address be given at 5:00 p. m. instead of at 4:30.

The report of the Home Missions Committee was presented and adopted; the recommendation being changed to read 45c instead of 50c.

The report of the Auditing Committee as it pertains to the Home Missions Treasury was presented and adopted. (See Treasurer's report.)

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The past year has been an eventful one in the story of the missions of Synod as the following report will evidence:

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas

Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D. D., Pastor

This congregation was organized in 1902 with 33 charter members and since 1924 has been receiving aid from the Board of American Missions. The Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D. D., has been the Board's missionary since June, 1936. The big indebtedness of the congregation, $48,700, incurred by the building of the new church in 1923, has had a hindering effect on the growth and work of the congregation.

During the past 18 months especially, fear and discouragement have given place to confidence and a large measure of stability under the wise and heartening leadership of Dr. Schaeffer.

Thirty-one new members were enrolled with very good prospects for Easter accessions. The average Sunday morning church attendance was 105. A Luther League of 17 active members, practically all of no previous connection, has been reorganized. The Sunday School enrollment has increased 30 per cent. Organized a young women's missionary society with a membership of 19. The church auditorium was cleaned and repaired, some improvements made on the parsonage, and a primary department installed. Boy Scout work has prospered and new, well equipped quarters provided.

During the past year the congregation paid the Board $60 per month toward the pastor's salary, paid all interest due the Board and $1,000 on the principal, and owes no bills on its current expense treasury. It also paid $325 on its Synodical benevolence. The future of Trinity is most promising.

United, Fort Smith, Arkansas

Rev. C. P. Karriker, Pastor

This mission was organized in 1928 with 54 charter members. From organization it has been a ward of the Board of of American Missions from which it has received aid on pastor's salary totalling $10,550. The grant for this year is $850. The Board holds a mortgage of $4,800 on the property valued at $14,000.

The confirmed membership is reported as 132 a net increase of 3 over the report for 1936. Average church attendance, morning 68, evening 55. Organizational work carries on with fairly encouraging results. Paid $250, the remainder of a local loan, and closed the year with all bills paid. $257.82 was paid on the Synodical benevolence of $375. The E. M. V. resulted in 68 pledges amounting to $1217 for current expenses, and 35 pledges amounting to $273 for the Synodical benevolence. The pastor is quite disturbed by the growing effect on the congregation of the continued unemployment situation in the city.

Fairmount, Kansas City, Missouri

Fairmount is another of our missions which has been supported by aid from the Board of American Missions. For some years past the continuance of the work has been questioned by both our committee and the Board. A thorough survey of the field and an analysis of the situation was made last summer at our request by canvassers of the Board. In large measure it confirmed our fears. However, upon the resignation of Rev. Groseclose effective October 1st, who since October, 1927, served faithfully and sacrificingly as pastor, the Board sent the Rev. F. H. Bloch as its representative to act as supply pastor in the hope that the mission might yet be saved.

After three months' effort Rev. Bloch's adverse report caused the Board to notify us of action taken on February 11, as follows:

> "Special study has been made of the report of Board Missionary Bloch, and after careful review of the entire situation in this mission, it is recommended that the Board notify the Synodical authorities that it does not appear advisable for the Board to continue the support of this mission."

At a meeting of our committee held in Kansas City on February 22, 1938, the following resolution was adopted:

> "In view of the action of the Board to discontinue the support of Fairmount without which help we cannot maintain the work, and in view of our own doubt as to any future stability to justify its continuance, therefore, be it resolved, that our committee take the necessary steps to discontinue the work at Fairmount and close up its affairs as soon as consistently possible."

Strangely enough back in 1922 the Home Missions committee reported to Synod that "Fairmount is located in an unchurched community which seems to care very little for what the Church can furnish."

It is with deepest and sincerest regret that your committee reports the end to a work begun in 1916.

St. Mark's, Norcatur, Kansas
Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Pastor

Organized June 17, 1888, with 26 charter members. There has been little change during the past year in the situation at Norcatur. It presents the problem of a small congregation in a farming community dependent upon crop conditions, with little or no industrial opportunities. And withal the pastor reports a small increase in membership during the year. Though the confirmed membership totals 80, the communicant membership of 46 constitutes all the contributing strength of the congregation. Attendance at the church services averaged 48, at the Sunday School 44. Total current expense resources for 1937 were $446.57. Benevolent contributions, on apportionment $95.73, unapportioned $19.08. Rev. Pfeiffer continues to serve Long Island, 40 miles from Norcatur.

Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas
Vacant

This congregation became independent of supply service when the Rev. Sherman E. Frederick accepted a call and became resident pastor on June 14, 1936. But the repeated crop failures affected the finances, attendance and interest waned, internal difficulties arose, and the pastor resigned effective December 1st to accept a call to the Homer, Nebraska, parish.

Efforts to secure an acceptable pastor have thus far failed. The Rev. W. H. Moeller at Hays is now supplying the congregation. Wakeeney is a town of about 2000, the county seat, strategically located in a fine wheat farming district. Under normal conditions Bethlehem will be one of our fine rural congregations.

Zion, Beloit, Kansas
Rev. Geo. R. Whittecar, Pastor

This Synodical mission is rapidly coming to the front as one of our most promising congregations. An earnest energetic pastor and a devotedly coop-

erating people is the secret. Real and lasting constructive work is being accomplished. Notwithstanding calls to other more remunerative fields, the pastor, Rev. George Whittecar, elects to remain because he believes in the future of Zion, though it, too, is in greatest measure dependent upon good wheat crops.

Confirmed membership 109, communicant 66. Average attendance at worship 51. During 1937 the general stability of the congregation was increased, the membership manifested a deeper sense of stewardship, the Woman's Missionary Society became a part of the Synod organization, the choir was robed, several sets of altar hangings were donated, the parsonage was repaired and repainted at small cost. Three catechetical classes are maintained, two in the congregation, the other at the Girls Industrial School.

Total current expenses $1049, fifty-eight per cent of apportionment paid, $148 unapportioned. $306 to the Midland Appeal. No indebtedness of any kind.

Specials

Hutchinson, Kansas. Zion congregation at Hutchinson, Rev. David E. Robison, acting pastor, holds a somewhat exceptional relationship to Synod, to the Board of American Missions, and to our committee. The situation there will be reported by the President.

Topeka, Kansas. Rev. A. J. Bell, pastor. While the First Church at Topeka should not be classified as a mission, yet because of appropriations made to it from our treasury we make the following report simply as evidence of what emergency appropriations can do to encourage congregations to overcome handicaps, and to regain their strength and efficiency under a wiser and more capable leadership.

The annual report shows progress in a number of directions. The average Sunday morning attendance was 145, at evening services begun last October 88 The adult membership has been increased by 46, the confirmed now numbering 191. The communing membership increased from 90 to 149. Finances. The sale of the parsonage made possible the paying of all back interest on the loan and brought the payment of stated reductions on the principal up to date. This also made possible the reduction of the interest rate from six to four per cent. A second mortgage was paid off at less than a 50% reduction. All current expense bills were paid on the first of each month. The Every Member Visitation during the Thanksgiving season made possible the underwriting of the budget for 1938. The auxiliary organizations have made splendid progress and all have assumed financial responsibility in the underwriting of the budget. The spirit of good will, optimism, and enthusiasm continues to pervade the life of the congregation. Twenty-one children have been under catechetical instruction since last October. A group of friends are also enrolled in a Sunday night lecture course, some of whom are purposing to unite with the church during Holy Week, 1938.

Extension Work

Your committee wishes it could report with more definiteness on new work now in hand. We are expecting at the Oklahoma City convention commissioners from a congregation at Enid, Okla., formerly connected with the Evangelical Church, to appear to make formal application for admission into our Synod, which if consummated, the congregation will be taken on our Home Mission funds

Projected surveys will determine the possibilities of another field in Oklahoma, one in Arkansas, and one in Kansas. Home Mission opportunities on the territory of our Synod were never so challenging as now.

Treasurer's Report

The report of the treasurer of our committee is appended. It has been duly audited.

Recommendation

That the 1938 apportionment for Home Missions be fifty cents per communicant member.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. E. Wheeler, Chairman.

HOME MISSIONS TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1937

1937 Cash Balance	$ 640.22	
1937 Apportionment	1,450.00	
Loan Refund American Missions	500.00	
Loan Refund Topeka	80.00	
Refund Overpayment Topeka	20.00	
Survey Refund	15.83	$2,706.05

Disbursements

Norcator, Kansas	$ 360.00	
Beloit, Kansas	233.30	
Wakeeney, Kansas	275.00	
Topeka, Kansas	720.00	
Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity	100.00	
Committee Meetings	168.95	
Office Supplies, Postage, Phones, Printing, Telegrams, etc.	16.79	
Survey	74.39	
Topeka, Loan	80.00	$2,028.43
Cash Balance		$ 677.62

Louis T. Bang, Treasurer.

The report of the committee on Foreign Missions was received and adopted.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Board of Foreign Missions assigned Miss Mae Rohlfs, R. N., to the Synod during the Epiphany season of 1938, and Miss Rohlfs was able to visit 32 of our congregations from January 1 to February 11. The committee on Foreign Missions expresses its appreciation that nearly all pastors received Miss Rohlfs gladly, and made her visits exceedingly pleasant. Offerings received were differently designated. Some congregations sent the offerings as Epiphany appeal offerings, others sending them for other purposes via the Synod treasurers or giving them directly to Miss Rohlfs for her traveling dispensary. Your committee calls your attention to the growing practice of U. L. C. A. Boards offering free bulletin sheets during their respective seasons. Orders for such bulletins should be sent as soon as notices are received.

By the first of February, only seventeen pastors had reported their local Foreign Missions Committees. This should not be neglected.

Respectfully,

Geo. L. Search, for the Committee.

The report of the committee on Inner Missions was adopted.

INNER MISSION COMMITTEE

The Committee was convened once in 1937. Letters were sent to all pastors of Synod enclosing a copy of Congregational Inner Mission set up suggested by the Board and urging them to use the various literature. The Committee has been given the names of only two Congregational committees, and therefore was unable to contact them directly.

Dr. C. E. Krumbholz, executive secretary of the Board of Inner Missions met with the Committee chairmen of several Synods. The following suggestions came out of the meeting:

1. That Inner Mission Committees if possible, be composed of representatives of the organizations within the church so that the whole church is active;
2. That the Inner Mission Committee work with the evangelism effort of the Anniversary Appeal;

3. When a "Sabaoth Band" is organized for the promotion of the Anniversary Appeal, wherever advisable, it shall function in the three following fields: Evangelism, Inner Mission or Merciful, and Social Action;
4. Wherever possible an Inner Mission subject be placed in the curriculum of Conferences and retreats and camps;
5. That disaster needs of pastors and congregations should be brought before the Inner Mission Committee.

Resolved that the Synodical and Congregational Committees cooperate fully with the Anniversary Appeal of the Board of American Missions during 1938.

Respectfully submitted,

Max Gilmer,
Walter H. Moeller.

The report of the committee on Temperance was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

Your Committee on Temperance reports that no specific work was done by this committee during the past year, and in lieu of the fact that the work of Temperance Education is largely the task of the Committee on Parish Education, it is recommended that, in the future, the work of this committee be committed to the synodical committee on Religious Education.

E. Victor Roland, Chairman.

The proposed amendment to the U. L. C. A. Constitution was adopted. (Refer to President's Report for this item.)

The report of the committee on Ministerial Pensions was adopted with a slight change noted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Not much change has taken place in the work of the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief during the past year. There has, however, been an increase in the number of pensioners from 1075 to 1154 and also in the family budget from $235,880 to $245,550.

Our synod now has 1 retired minister, 1 disabled minister, 9 widows, and 2 children on the funds of the Board. The annual outlay for us by the Board is $250,000.

The income of the Board has been some better during the past year. From the apportionment the Board received $13,000.00 more during 1937 than the previous year, and the endowment fund also gave better returns. But still the Board is operating with a deficit.

The Board's deficit in 1927 was $92,681, and certainly it has not grown smaller since. The money has not been borrowed from the banks but from the endowment fund. Obviously this can not go on indefinitely. A new plan to provide the necessary funds is tremendously important.

The new contributary plan deviseed by the Board and adopted by the Columbus Convention of the U. L. C. A., which it was thought would provide adequate funds and also better pensions, was to have been checked up to our pastors and churches for their approval or disapproval during the past winter. At a meeting of the presidents of the synods held December 10, 1937, at Harrisburg, Pa., this pension plan was thoroughly discussed. It was known at that time that that particular plan would not be adopted by the church. Dr. Knuble and E. Clarence Miller were present at that meeting. The conclusion was instructing Mr. Miller, who is chairman of a special committee on the subject, to ask the Board to prepare a new plan in simple form, eliminating details as much as possible and covering a contributary system based on 5% of the salary to be paid each by the pastor and the congregation.

Our correspondence brings out the fact that nothing has been done in the matter of preparing a new plan and further nothing is likely to happen soon.

Mr. Simmons of our committee, who is himself a railroad employee, and who has studied the pension question extensively as well as intensively has prepared a plan which seems to the rest of our committee to have considerable merit. It is herewith submitted hoping that it may be sent to the U. L. C. A. with your approval.

It is recommended that this proposed plan be forwarded to the Board of Ministerial Pensions for submission to the 1938 Convention of the United Lutheran Church.

PROPOSED PENSION PLAN

Plan for pensions for ministers and employees of the United Lutheran Church in America.

ARTICLE I

This plan shall be in effect upon announcement by the President of the United Lutheran Church in America, that the plan has been adopted by a convention of the Church and that it has been approved by two-thirds of constituent congregations or by a majority of the congregations in all the synods.

ARTICLE II
DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this plan—

(a) The term "Church" means The United Lutheran Church in America.

(b) The term "board" means the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief.

(c) The term "participant" means ministers, missionaries, and clerical or lay employees of any congregation, parish, synod, board, and or other institutions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

(d) The term "organization" means congregation, parishes, synods, boards, and or other institutions of the United Lutheran Church in America, paying salaries or wages.

(e) The term "compensation" means salaries, wages, and other allowances. When the organization furnishes living quarters for the participant, the same shall be considered an equivalent to 15 per cent of his total salary and at that value shall be added to other salary paid to arrive at the total compensation. When the organization provides board for the participant, the same shall be computed at a reasonable rate and added to other salary paid to arrive at the total compensation.

(f) The term "average monthly compensation" means the average compensation received by the participant in the calendar months comprising the years of service. In computing average monthly compensation no part of any month's compensation in excess of $300.00 shall be recognized.

(g) The term "annuity" means a monthly sum payable on the first day of each calendar month for the accrual during the preceding calendar month.

(h) The terms "years of service" shall mean the number of years an individual shall have rendered service for compensation for an organization as defined in this article.

(i) The term "pension fund" means the fund created by the contributions of participants and organizations, income from the Church's apportionment, and income from pension endowment fund.

(j) The words "minor child" or "minor children" shall mean the children of a deceased participant, under 18 years of age.

(k) The term "Plan" means the pension plan as provided herein.

(l) The term "prior plan" means the pension plan provided by the Church prior to the adoption of this plan.

(m) The "date of adoption" shall be the date announced by the President of the United Lutheran Church in America putting the plan into effect.

ARTICLE III
COMPUTING YEARS OF SERVICE

Years of service shall be the total of years of service subsequent to and prior to the date of adoption.

(A) Years of service subsequent to the date of adoption shall be com-

puted as follows: One-half month shall be counted for each month the participant shall contribute to the pension fund as provided for in Article IV. One-half month shall be counted for each month the organization paying compensation to the participant shall contribute to the pension fund. Twelve such months shall constitute a year of service.

(B) Years of service prior to the date of adoption shall be computed as follows: Enough months taken in reverse order from date of adoption shall be added to the years of service computed as in paragraph A for the period subsequent to the date of adoption to make a total of not to exceed thirty years of service, but in no event shall any month prior to thirty calendar years before the date of retirement of the participant be used.

ARTICLE IV

CONTRIBUTIONS BY PARTICIPANTS

Each participant shall contribute each month an amount equal to 3½ per cent of his compensation. Such payment to be made in a manner specified by the board. Amounts over $300.00 per month shall be disregarded.

ARTICLE V

Each organization shall contribute each month an amount equal to 3½ per cent of the compensation paid, such payment to be made in a manner specified by the board. Amount over $300.00 paid to one person to be disregarded.

ARTICLE VI

ANNUITIES

Section 1

The following described individuals shall be eligible for annuities:

1. Participants who on or after the date of adoption shall be 65 years of age or over and shall have ceased to render compensated service for an organization.
2. Participants without regard to age who on or after the date of adoption are totally incapacitated for service.
3. Widows of participants.
4. Minor children of deceased participants.
5. Persons receiving pensions under prior pension plan.

Section 2

The following rule shall govern the payments of annuities to the persons referred to in section one.

1. The annuity for participants shall be computed by multiplying his years of service by the following percentages of his average monthly compensation, 2% of the first $50. One and one-half per cent of next $100 and one per cent of the next $150.
2. Subject to the following minima:

The annuity of any participant, 65 years or older with thirty or more years of service, shall not be less than $50 per month.

3. The annuity of any participant, with thirty years of service or more and retired account incapacitated, shall not be less than $50.00 per month.
4. The annuity of any participant with less than thirty years of service and retired account incapacitated shall not be less than $40 per month.
5. The annuity for widows of participants shall be equal to one-half of the annuity that the years of service of the participant would entitle him to in case of retirement or disability on the date of decease. Subject to a minimum of $30 per month and in addition $10 per month for each minor child of deceased participant. In case of remarriage of such widow the annuity to widow shall cease, but the annuity for minor children shall continue.
6. The annuities for persons on prior pension plan pension rolls shall be computed on the same basis as for participants, widows of participants, or minor children of participants as the case may be. Prior pension amounts to be maintained as the minima.
7. The annuities provided in Section 2 of this article shall in no case exceed eighty per cent of the average monthly compensation upon which such annuity is based.

ARTICLE VII

The proportion of the Church's apportionment shall not be reduced during

the first three years after the date of adoption. At the end of the three years the Board shall make recommendation to the Convention as to reduction of the apportionment and or the increase or decrease in the percentage of the rate of contributions to the fund by participants and organizations.

During the three-year test period the board shall, in the event of failure of the plan to provide sufficient funds to pay annuities in full, have authority to reduce annuities upon a percentage basis including the minima, but in no case shall the pensions of persons now on the pension list of the prior plan be reduced below the amount paid to them prior to date of adoption.

ARTICLE VIII

The pension board shall have authority to make such rules and regulations for the conduct of the plan, and require the participants and organizations to furnish such information as may be required to conduct the business of the plan.

ARTICLE IX

The surplus funds of the board shall be invested in the obligations of the United States and of the several states and municipalities within the United States of America.

ARTICLE X

Participants who sever their compensated connection with the Church prior to becoming sixty-five years of age shall, when they become sixty-five years of age, be entitled to annuities based on their years of service.

ARTICLE XI

Any individual as described in Section 1, Article VI, who feels that he has been deprived of any or all of his rights under this plan, and is unable to obtain a satisfactory settlement from the Board may appeal to the executive board of the Church. That board shall hear the appeal and render a decision. If the individual is not satisfied with that decision, he may appeal to the Convention of the Church. But in no event shall he seek relief in the civil courts until he shall have exhausted his rights of appeal as outlined above.

ARTICLE XII

The Church may alter or amend the plan by a majority vote at any Convention of the Church.

I. B. Heisey, Chairman.
G. C. Schaub,
H. W. Simmons.

The report of the committee on Reference and Counsel was adopted.

REFERENCE AND COUNCIL

Application for membership in our Synod has been received from Dr. Geo. N. Mendenhall. We regret that under the present status of requirements in our Constitution of Clerical Membership, we deem it unwise to recommend his reception at this time. We record our very great appreciation of the fine service rendered to the United Lutheran Church by Dr. Mendenhall, and express the sincere hope that this fine Christian laborer may soon receive a call to serve one of our congregations.

C. N. Swihart,
W. H. Moeller,
C. P. Karriker.

The report on Local Publicity was adopted.

REPORT ON LOCAL PUBLICITY

Before the convention, the committee sent stories on the convention to 15 daily and 15 weekly papers in communities where our congregations are located. Local publicity here in Oklahoma City was handled by Rev. F. H. Bloch.

During the convention the committee has kept local newspapers and news agencies informed of the proceedings of the Synod.

George R. Whittecar.

The committee's report on Absentees was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ABSENTEES AND EXCUSES

The committee has received and considered excuses for Rev. Frederick Weisenborn, Chaplain Joseph Ensrud, U. S. A., Dr. I. B. Heisey, and G. P. A. Kirschke. The committee considers their excuses justified and recommends their acceptance.

Robert E. Gaston.

The convention voted that the Executive Committee determine the place of the 1939 Synodical convention.

Rev. Beil invited the 1943 convention to be held in Topeka.

Dr. Andreas Bard invited the 1939 convention to be held in St. Mark's Church, Kansas City, Mo.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, meeting in 70th annual convention desire to acknowledge the leadership of the Head of the Church and ask for His continuance with us in the future.

2nd. We wish to express to the First Lutheran Church of Oklahoma City, to the pastor loci, Rev. Fred. Bloch, to Rev. C. N. Swihart, D.D., to the choir, and to all the organizations, our appreciation for the consideration shown and the hospitality manifested.

3rd. We wish to express our appreciation of the inspiring addresses delivered by Rev. H. D. Hoover, D.D., and Rev. A. E. Bell, D.D., and for the suggestions given and the leadership afforded.

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. McConnell, Chairman.

The Chair read a telegram of greetings from the Eureka Brotherhood.

It was voted that the Executive Committee approve the minutes of the fourth and final session before being printed in the Minutes.

The convention adjourned to hear an address by Dr. H. D. Hoover entitled, "The Seventy."

Delegates to the Synodical and the Women's Missionary Society conventions, and guests, attended the final joint service at 8:00 p.m. The final service included an address by Dr. H. D. Hoover on "The One Hundred and Twenty"; the installation of the President by the past-presidents, and the formal closing of the Synod.

W. Wilbur Klover, Secretary.

NECROLOGY REPORT

Through the columns of the Kansas Synod Lutheran the membership of the Synod was saddened by the news of the passing of the wife of Rev. Max Glimer. Her death was quite unexpected following the activity of the Christmas season with its joys. She died January 3rd, and the memorial service was conducted by the following: Dr. B. R. Lantz, Rev. G. L. Search, Rev. G. R. Whittecar, Rev. G. K. Mykland and Dr. Fuller Bergstresser. Burial was in Memorial Park, Salina.

The convention, while considering the names of the clerical roll of the Synod, was informed of the death of Brother G. P. A. Kirschke. Rev. Kirschke was inactive in the ministry at the time of his summons by his Maker.

"Though a man die, yet shall he live."

W. Wilbur Klover for the Synod.

PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR 1937

(The President gathered the following notes concerning improvements in a number of the congregations during the year 1937.)

United, Cole Camp, Mo.

Ground for the new church at Cole Camp was broken on October 10th. The edifice is under construction. The corner stone was laid Sunday, May 8th.

Rev. K. de Freese, Pastor.

Trinity, Sedalia, Mo.

The room for the primary department was repaired and redecorated. New copies or orchestrations for the Bible School Orchestra have been purchased. Largest attendance at Lenten services and Easter communion during present pastorate.

Rev. K. de Freese, Pastor.

Excelsior Near Wilson

Debt cleared, budget balanced for first time in several years. Teachers forum organized and Parish School Magazine studied. Luther League of 20 young people organized and promoted a choir. Stair railings installed in basement stairway. Splendid spirit of cooperation evident everywhere.

E. T. Bollinger, Pastor.

Zion, Bunkerhill

$550 of debt paid, budget balanced for first time in seven years. Interior of parsonage papered and painted, furnace installed. 100 Sunday School hymnals purchased. All improvements paid for. Basement of parsonage turned over to Church for recreation room and use of Primary Department. Scout Troop organized under standard church troop plan. Luther League of 12 organized. And this was the Church that thought she could not exist any longer, but now her Sunday School and Church run more than double.

E. T. Bollinger, Pastor.

St. Mark's, Emporia

Attendance during 1927 made a very marked gain over that of the previous year; a finer spirit of cooperation is being manifest all the time. The Choir under the direction of Dale Stinson, the director of the 169th Infantry Band, is being well trained and rendering beautiful anthems in the services each Sunday. The congregation is becoming more "benevolence minded" resulting in St. Mark's paying 70 per cent of the apportioned benevolence. The attendance at the Wednesday evening Lenten services was much larger than the previous year. Between 50 and 60 members are in the "Book a Month Club" which in our congregation is a group of members reading a portion of Scripture each month. The following portions have been read: Luke, Acts, I and II Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews and John's Gospel. In the Church School once a month in the Primary and Junior departments special programs with mis-

sionary education are given. The School as a whole is using the "Standard of Parish Education," and endeavoring to meet its requirements.

O. W. Ebright, Pastor.

Trinity, Abilene

New pews have been installed, providing a center aisle; new carpet runners for the aisles, baptismal font; brass offering plates; all memorial gifts, involving a cash expenditure of $1,240. Incidental repairs, costing $250 have been made. All insurance has been rewritten and modernized, with supplemental contract and eighty per cent co-insurance clause. Property and equipment improvements in past ten years have totalled $30,000, with no debt nor unpaid bills.

Fuller Bergstresser, Pastor.

First Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City

At the request of Rev. Bloch I am glad to submit to you the following report: Improvements and repairs on property in 1937 as follows:—Redecorated the parsonage, repaired plumbing, etc., $60.00; Repaired down spouts on church, $35.00; Purchased new range for Church kitchen, also dishes and utensils, approximately $200.00. Purchased new Hymnals for Sunday School. Kitchen repaired and rearranged. Material and work donated. I might add that all paving and street improvements are paid. The last payment was made in 1937. We paid $500 on our mortgage indebtedness on the parsonage. Church is clear.

Geo. C. Smith, Councilman.

Greenleaf Lutheran Parish

The Parish concluded the work of the year with all bills paid and its financial house in good order. The council showed a willingness and an earnestness in accomplishing this which was remarkable and has left a definite impression upon the congregations, and has done much to remove the feeling of defeatism that has hovered over this part of the country since 1934. That is the most conspicuous gain in this Parish.

As a thankoffering for the splendid wheat crop of 1937 the Parish made a gift of new hymn books to the churches. Over $150.00 was raised as a free will offering for this cause, some buying as many as 10 in appreciation of God's mercy.

St. Paul's Church was damaged again by wind and hail and after an adjustment by the insurance company the men of the church reshingled and repaired the property to the extent of $125.00.

Trinity Church was the recipiant of two memorials. An altar cross given by the Nels Johnson family in memory of their mother, and new lights in Trinity Church, a gift by Mrs. Lottie Mericle in memory of her husband, Mr. John Mericle.

Forty new trees were set out on the Parish properties and not a one lived.

The Parish joined heartily in the Promotional program of the Church and profited greatly by it. At our Beloit rally we had more than any other Parish.

In the growth of the family altar there has been much progress. One of the members of Trinity Church has guaranteed the payment of Light for Today and that little book reaches and helps most every family in the Parish. Sunday School attendance is not the best but attendance for church is growing to such an extent that St. Paul's had to buy new chairs to accommodate the people.

The Parish took happy recognition of the pastor's fifth year with them and the year ended with the feeling, "God's in his heaven, all's right with the world."

Eugene Rutherford Harrison, Pastor.

St. Mark's, Norcatur

St. Mark's Church and Parsonage donned new coats of paint in the spring of 1937. The steeple-tower beams for miles around since two coats of aluminum paint were applied. The folks of the congregation turned out loyally to give their property an outward appearance of pride. The funds for the paint

had been raised the previous year by free donations. The Ladies' Aid provided well the walls of four rooms of the parsonage with paper and paint applied by capable abilities of several members. Once more the women responded in beautifying the grounds with the purchasing of a dozen Chinese elm trees planted by some of our boys.

The Church participated in a Union Vacation School in June at which time the Church was used for one of the departments.

Throughout the year over 500 daily devotions from the Synod of the N. W. and Lenten devotions from the U. L. Publishing House were distributed among the churched and unchurched together with over 500 other tracts. Quite a few eagerly read and await expectantly the new devotionals upon expiration of the former ones.

The Church Council agreed to allow funds for bulletins to be issued throughout the year at special seasons and necessary times. At the close of the year they voted $22.50 to raise the benevolence to $100 which is about 50 per cent increase over the previous year. The Council as representative of the congregation express their appreciation to the Synod for its helpful support.

A cordial reception was given October 10th for the pastor and family upon their return after two months' absence in serving the Mission Committee at Enid, Oklahoma. Numerous necessities for the home table were presented to them.

Attendance in both Sunday School and Church began on the increase in October. More visitors were attending regularly.

At Christmas time an oak baptismal font was presented to the Church by the pastor and family and dedicated with one adult baptism and three infant baptisms. A cross graces the top of the font and a descending dove hallows the front.

R. R. Pfeiffer, Pastor.

St. Marks and English Lutheran Churches, Waterville

In regard to the work of the pastorate I will say that we are better organized for work than previously. Have some splendid leadership in different departments of the work. We have added 12 adults to the membership, among these a group of four, who took adult chatechism work. We are also drawing on a Swedish element that promises much for the future.

Three years of drouth and several of grasshopper troubles have made it impossible for us to make improvements. However, we have a committee appointed to paint the church and another working on plans for a banquet room for the church which we hope to build this fall if the good Lord gives us a reasonably good crop year. We have nearly $2500.00 dollars ready for this work.

We are going to have at least a vacation Catechism class, and if possible a Bible school.

I. B. Heisey, Pastor.

The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas

Sunday School, Morning Worship, Vesper Services were conducted thruout the entire year. The spiritual growth of the Church is manifested by the large number of people who worship God daily. Leadership training courses were conducted — "Our Worship," and one course in advance work were conducted. We do have a surplus of trained leaders. Our seventh annual daily vacation Bible Schcool was of the same high quality. The fine Christlike spirit and attitude of the members of our Church is very commendable.

Material improvements — each year we are a little ahead — this year our local loan of $2000.00 has been paid, and now we are at work on our loan from The Board of American Missions. In the Primary department we have placed a beautiful little altar. The primary equipment has been redecorated. The Parish hall roof was severely damaged by windstorms and had to be replaced. This damage was covered by insurance. We purchased 48 Common Service Books — 36 Parish Hymnals. Our Church has had a good year, and we lift up our hearts in gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His continued blessings.

C. P. Karriker, Pastor.

St. Paul's Lutheran, Glasco

The year of 1937 saw several new organizations in the congregation. In October, a light brigade was organized to function in connection with the Church school organization; a junior young women's missionary society was organized with seventeen members, who chose to be called the Daughters of St. Paul's; and the Church school embarked upon a home department project to supply those who could not attend the services at the Church with regulated Bible study opportunity. The choir was enlarged and the girl members were supplied with white robes. In worship spirit the Church shows considerable progress. Attendance at Divine Worship services increased more than 100 per cent over preceeding years during the last three months; an every-member-visitation projected by the Brotherhood organization was more nearly ideal than ever before; and every home is now supplied regularly by way of mail or personal visit with daily devotional booklets. There were no large improvements in the physical properties of the church.

G. L. Search, Pastor.

St. John's, Salina

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kreps and children presented St. John's Church with a fine set of Kohler-Liebig Organ Chimes as a memorial to their sons and brothers, Samuel A. and Leslie M. Kreps. Leslie was killed in action at the battle of the Argonne in the World War and Samuel was incapacitated during the time of his enlistment. The chimes were installed by the Reuter Organ Company of Lawrence and were dedicated May 2nd, 1937.

The Senior Luther League began the publication of an eight-page monthly paper to create interest in the Promotional Plan of the United Lutheran Church as well as to promote the work of the local Church.

B. R. Lantz, Pastor.

First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma

During the year our Church decreased its small indebtedness by $1,000, installed new floor furnaces in the parsonage at a cost of $100 in addition to the free labor donated for their installation, bought twenty-five additional Parish School Hymnals for the Bible School and installed six twenty-five dollar electric wall-fans in the Main Auditorium of the Church, two of which were donated by Mrs. J. L. Renaud in memory of her mother and two were bought by the Brotherhood.

E. Victor Roland, Pastor.

St. Paul's, Wichita

Improvements made in 1937: The entire basement rooms were painted and decorated at a cost of $240.00. All rooms in Parish House laid with linoleum, papered and painted at a cost of $140. Parish House painted. Cost $80.00.

E. E. Stauffer, Pastor.

Trinity, Hays

Met apportionment and Midland quota in full. Reduced debt $50 per month. Organized Young Women's Missionary Society. Established annual Loyalty Month in November. Added six new robes for choir and 80 C. S. B. Added Nursery department to Sunday School. Mid-year every member visitation conducted. Average Church attendance increased 20 per cent.

W. H. Moeller, Pastor.

Zion's, Beloit

Women's Missionary Society aligned with Synodical organization. Choir robed. Parsonage repainted and repaired. Several sets of altar hangings donated. Congregation gained in sense of stewardship.

George R. Whittemar, Pastor.

St. Paul's, Peabody

The spiritual condition of our Church showed no marked change during the year.

In organization we showed marked improvement consisting of the organization of the Junior Missionary Socicety. This Church has never heretofore had such a society, which promises well for future work.

The Ladies Social Society has furnished three nice rugs for the Sunday School Room and has purchased sixty-five new hymnals. Several other members have presented us with sixty-five additional books so that our congregation now enjoys the privilege of using one hundred thirty New Common Service Hymnals.

Many of our members presented hymnals as memorials to deceased members, or friends.

Six robes were presented to the church making a total of thirty robes now available for the choir.

A. W. Malin, Pastor.

The First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo.

The greatest improvement of the year was the organization of the Parish Education Cabinet and the Committees on Parish Education. The Committees on Parish Education are: Foreign Mission Committee, Home Mission Committee, Inner Mission Committee, Church School Committee, Committee on Evangelism, Committee on Stewardship and Benevolences, and Committee on Organizations. These Committees meet once a month and are composed of one member from all the organizations of the Church and in the season allotted them in the church calendar give each organization, department of Church work, and each service an interesting account of the work done in the field they represent. A study program is pursued during the months of the year to fully acquaint each committee with the full work in their field.

The Cabinet meets once a month and is composed of the chairmen of the committees. The cabinet's work is to correlate all of the presentations.

The parsonage was redecorated thruout and six solid oak tables ($150) were purchased for the Junior Department of the Sunday School during the year.

H. J. McGuire, Pastor.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. P. D. Riefler, for many years Church Secretary and Office Manager at St. Mark's, found it necessary to give up the position and his resignation was accepted with regret.. On February 15th Miss Beulah Blatt of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, arrived at St. Mark's to fill this position. Miss Blatt is a graduate of the Lutheran Training School, Baltimore, Md., and has an enviable record as a successful church and parish worker.

Considerable cleaning, redecorating, and general renovating greatly improved the main church auditorium and various departments of the Sunday School. The entire Church auditorium was redecorated, a new railing placed around the organ console, twenty-five new hymnals (a contribution from one of our members), and several new choir robes furnished. After several changes of departments and adjustments, we now have an attractive and comfortable Church Reception Room. Through the generous help of the Ladies Aid Society and other members and friends it is neatly furnished and arranged. Through the help of the St. Mark's Guild, new drapes adorn the main Social Room of the Parish House.

Attendances, both at the Church services and Sunday School have increased. We boast of a filled church each Sunday. Through the installing of a Public Address System we were able to accommodate the overflow crowd during the festal season. All church organizations are functioning actively and successfully.

Through the Mary and Martha Society, the devotional booklets, "The Light of the World," are furnished and distributed.

On February 1st, Dr. Bard began his 29th year at St. Mark's.

Andreas Bard, Pastor.

Christ's Church, Eureka

The Parsonage was repaired and painted, also the garage. The parsonage furnace was completely overhauled. Improvements in the parsonage properties were made at $300. The School and Cotta-Missionary Society sponsored

the renovation and redecoration of the basement rooms, and the installation of a large velvet curtain. The Brotherhood assisted in the purchase of the curtain. New elm trees were set out on the parkways, the older trees having died during the severe drouth. The Primary department was equipped with altar, pulpit, choir loft, pews, choir robes, etc., all done to a child's scale. The furnishings are designed after those of the main part of the Church. A number of necessary repairs were needed for the Church edifice, including the varnishing of all windows and doors. Attendance reached a new high record; likewise the communions were the largest ever attended. The annual Every-member Visitation was the most successful ever attempted. The parish gained much inspiration as a result of the Promotional rally for the Southern conference which was held here in September.

W. Wilbur Klover, Pastor.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937

First—Southern or Wichita Conference

Parish (Location)	Congregation	When Organized	Pastor	Congregations	Membership: Baptized	Membership: Confirmed	Membership: Communing	Membership: Contributing	Non-Member Adherents	Accessions: Children: Baptism	Accessions: Children: Otherwise	Accessions: Adult: Baptism	Accessions: Adult: Confirmat'n	Accessions: Adult: Certificate	Accessions: Adult: Otherwise	Losses: Children: Death	Losses: Children: Otherwise	Losses: Adult: Death	Losses: Adult: Certificate	Losses: Adult: Otherwise	Official Church Papers	Church Schools: Sunday: Number	Church Schools: Sunday: Officers & Teachers	Church Schools: Sunday: Scholars	Church Schools: Weekday: Home Dep.	Church Schools: Weekday: Cradle Roll	Church Schools: Weekday: Number	Church Schools: Weekday: Teachers	Church Schools: Weekday: Scholars	Catechumens	Students: Ministry	Students: Diaconate	Students: In Luth. Inst.	Students: In Non-L. Ins.
				PAROCHIAL																														
Emporia....	St. Mark's..	1884	O. W. Ebright	1	421	264	195	154	6	8	0	0	6	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	6	1	15	130	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	4
Eureka.....	Christ.....	1873	W. W. Klover.	1	306	232	147	80	35	7	0	5	8	3	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	1	15	125	0	15	1	2	50	0	0	0	0	10
Ft.Smith,Ar	T. E. U. L...	1928	C. P. Karriker.	1	185	130	78	66	20	3	0	1	4	4	1	0	4	0	7	2	3	1	16	96	0	0	1	18	110	114	0	0	0	1
Hutchinson.	Zion's.....	1888	D. E. Robison *	1	391	251	90	40	0	6	0	0	7	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	15	140	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Okla.City,Ok	1st Luther..	1902	C. N. Swihart..	1	412	342	180	150	500	10	4	1	10	18	1	0	0	4	5	9	6	1	20	110	0	15	0	0	0	50	0	1	1	5
Perth.....	St. James..	1887	Vacant	1	33	32	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peabody....	St. Paul's...	1877	A. W. Malin ...	1	396	286	140	0	25	3	0	6	3	1	0	0	0	2	4	0	3	1	11	100	4	20	2	1	20	0	0	0	0	5
Tulsa,Okla..	1st Luther..	1909	E. Victor Roland	1	541	420	205	116	216	8	1	6	7	11	1	0	1	2	4	0	15	1	25	275	0	30	0	0	0	25	0	0	1	8
Wellington.	St. John....	1885	G. Mendenhall *	1	130	109	44	60	35	1	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	1	0	3	5	1	11	30	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Wichita....	St. Paul....	1909	E. E. Stauffer..	1	778	516	358	209	156	13	13	2	10	19	13	1	8	4	15	20	0	1	22	320	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	1	12
		Total	.....	10	3593	2582	1467	875	993	59	18	21	56	67	19	1	16	15	39	36	39	9	150	1326	8	85	4	21	181	245	0	1	3	47
			Second—Eastern or Topeka Conference																															
Atchison...	St. Mark's..	1868	Wm. E. Wheeler	1	484	341	205	190	0	26	0	0	6	8	1	0	4	8	6	11	25	1	40	275	0	30	1	1	67	0	0	0	0	8
Bendena....	St. John's..	1913	R. E. Gaston..	1	390	265	189	0	0	6	0	1	6	0	2	0	0	2	2	0	2	1	21	175	0	22	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
K. C., Mo....	Fairmount.	1916	F. H. Block *..	1	82	60	46	32	8	5	5	7	4	1	1	1	27	1	0	30	0	1	11	88	1	11	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
K. C., Mo....	Ch. Mem....	1884	J. A. McCulloch	1	466	242	175	143	12	5	3	1	10	8	0	0	0	2	1	0	15	1	26	135	0	14	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	10
K. C., Mo....	St. Mark's..	1867	Andreas Bard..	1	568	525	260	0	0	18	1	0	13	30	25	0	0	10	19	30	50	1	40	300	0	12	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	16
K. C., Ks....	Trinity.....	1902	H. B. Schaeffer*	1	211	181	155	138	25	8	0	2	3	2	11	0	0	1	0	2	6	1	18	83	0	8	1	3	26	7	0	0	0	1
Lancaster..	St. John's..	1905	F. Weisenborn *	1	236	191	111	0	1	6	14	2	12	2	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	8	196	0	3	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	6
Lawrence...	Trinity.....	1867	Charles Puls ..	1	753	551	268	315	0	8	0	5	15	6	0	0	1	5	9	0	10	1	34	280	7	24	1	8	90	14	0	0	0	15
Ottawa.....	St. Paul's...	1882	Vacant	1	68	50	15	13	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rockport-Langdon...	Rockport-First.....	1858	D. L. McConnell	1	393	277	185	171	186	10	34	5	9	7	0	0	6	7	0	3	2	1	10	151	70	38	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	3

11	Rockport-Langdon...	Langdon-St. Peter's	1871	D. L. McConnell	1	281	167	111	112	219	4	23	1	8	2	0	1	0	4	7	7	1	1	9	124	0	57	0	0	0	16	0	0	2
12	Sedalia, Mo..	C. C.—Unit.	1927	K. de Freese ..	1	156	119	74	113	14	5	7	1	3	4	0	0	2	3	0	2	4	1	12	58	0	8	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
13	Sedalia, Mo..	Trinity.....	1894	K. de Freese ..	1	160	126	74	104	8	4	9	1	8	2	0	0	2	0	4	5	2	1	15	62	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	1
14	St. Joseph, M.	1st English.	1894	H. J. McGuire..	1	848	737	505	567	0	9	2	5	29	12	0	0	22	10	15	16	44	1	38	410	0	40	0	0	0	29	0	1	13
15	Topeka.....	1st Luther..	1867	Alfred J. Bell..	1	223	191	149	135	40	5	9	1	10	17	30	0	43	5	5	2	5	1	28	118	0	7	0	0	0	41	0	0	5
16	Valley Falls	St. Paul's...	1857	Ernest Tonsing	1	165	118	57	75	20	5	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	1	14	70	0	0	1	1	12	3	0	0	7
				Total	6	5484	4141	2579	2108	536	124	107	35	139	101	77	2	107	63	69	108	170	16	330	2545	78	274	4	13	195	203	0	1	87

Third—Western or Salina Conference

1	Abilene.....	Trinity.....	1879	F. Bergstresser	1	360	285	200	160	125	5	0	3	12	2	5	0	0	7	4	0	1	1	35	185	20	36	0	0	0	12	0	0	11
2	Beloit.....	Zion's.....	1886	G. R. Whittecar	1	141	109	66	62	38	3	3	1	0	2	3	0	0	2	5	0	2	1	9	59	0	11	0	0	0	20	0	0	0
3	Bunker Hill.	Mt. Zion,...	1872	Ed. T. Bollinger	1	69	42	30	20	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	8	90	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	1
4	Bunker Hill.	Wilson-Ex..	1886	Ed. T. Bollinger	1	125	95	48	30	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	11	70	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5	Chapman...	Cherer Mem	1889	G. K. Mykland.	1	151	120	60	0	0	3	0	1	0	3	0	0	6	1	0	10	0	1	16	100	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
6	Greenleaf...	Trinity.....	1882	E. R. Harrison	1	191	156	54	89	25	8	0	2	10	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	8	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Greenleaf...	St. Paul's...	1895	E. R. Harrison	1	93	76	51	49	20	4	0	1	19	2	3	1	3	1	2	0	0	1	5	40	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0
8	Glasco.....	St. Paul's...	1893	Geo. L. Search.	1	238	182	116	88	52	3	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	2	2	2	5	1	14	97	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
9	Hays.....	Trinity.....	1878	W. H. Moeller..	1	215	175	110	70	20	10	15	5	12	17	6	0	8	1	7	18	0	1	18	95	1	15	0	0	0	5	0	0	11
10	Norcatur...	St. Mark's..	1888	R. R. Pfeiffer..	1	127	83	43	45	79	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	1	11	54	0	10	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
11	Long Island.	St. Paul's...	1887	R. R. Pfeiffer..	1	56	29	15	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	New Camb..	St. Paul's...	1874	Max Gilmer ...	1	106	66	38	35	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	80	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	1
13	New Camb..	Peace.....	1875	Max Gilmer ...	1	149	106	75	85	40	6	0	1	10	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	2	1	9	90	0	3	0	0	0	19	0	0	3
14	Salina.....	St. John's..	1873	B. R. Lantz, D.D.	1	1617	1269	704	601	75	26	3	20	31	13	12	0	5	13	6	0	13	1	51	516	0	51	0	0	0	40	1	0	2	19
15	Waterville..	St. Mark's..	1898	J. B. Heisey D.D.	1	327	244	100	0	0	8	0	2	4	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	15	110	0	26	0	0	0	6	0	0	1	5
16	Waterville..	First.....	1871	J. B. Heisey D.D.	1	79	58	25	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Wakeeney..	Bethlehem.	1906	Vacant	1	203	135	76	0	20	6	0	2	5	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	110	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0
				Total	17	4247	3230	1811	1346	564	92	21	40	109	46	40	1	22	38	26	30	31	15	234	1796	33	171	0	0	0	185	1	0	6	58
		Total—First—Couthern or Wichita Con.			10	3593	2582	1467	875	993	59	18	21	56	67	19	1	16	15	39	36	39	9	150	1326	8	85	4	21	181	245	0	1	3	47
		Total—Second—Eastern or Topeka Con.			16	5484	4141	2579	2108	536	124	107	35	139	101	77	2	107	63	69	108	170	16	330	2545	78	274	4	13	195	203	0	1	87
		Total—Third—Western or Salina Conf.			17	4247	3230	1811	1346	564	92	21	40	109	46	40	1	22	38	26	30	31	15	234	1796	33	171	0	0	0	185	1	0	6	58
		Synodical Totals			43	13324	9953	5857	4329	2093	275	146	96	304	214	136	4	145	116	134	174	240	40	714	5667	119	530	8	34	376	633	1	1	10	192

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Index Number	PAROCHIAL: Church Societies: Men's Number	Men's Members	W'm'n Number	W'm'n Members	Y'g P Number	Y'g P Members	FINANCIAL: Valuation of Church Property: Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	Congregational Benevolence: Apportioned: Paid	Excess	Deficit	Unapportioned: Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Other Benevolence	Total Un-ap'd Ben.	Summary: Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
1	..	...	3	70	5	65	20000	4000	.....	....	.....	24000	4000	2762	516	3278	659	..	276	....	50	....	19	213	282	941	4219
2	1	30	1	30	2	27	60000	5000	.....	....	.....	65000	2000	3285	350	3635	105	..	520	10	51	21	71	59	212	317	3952
3	..	...	1	25	4	60	14000	.....	.....	....	.....	14000	4800	1335	250	1585	258	..	117	....	7	....	128	75	210	468	2053
4	..	...	2	40	1	30	40000	5000	.....	....	.....	45000	8550	1477	167	1644	145	..	480	....	40	....	....	....	40	185	1829
5	1	40	4	111	2	37	75000	7000	.....	....	.....	82000	1500	4513	850	5363	657	..	243	....	124	105	141	75	445	1102	6465
6	..	...	...	...	..	....	1500	800	.....	....	.....	2300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
7	..	...	3	84	4	100	50000	3500	.....	....	.....	53500	.....	1428	50	1478	120	..	580	....	20	....	29	68	117	237	1715
8	1	25	4	114	3	79	38500	6500	.....	....	.....	45000	5000	4036	1000	5036	960	..	.....	....	25	6	181	202	414	1374	6410
9	..	...	3	51	..	....	4000	3000	.....	....	.....	7000	300	1415	641	2056	209	..	131	....	34	17	26	....	77	286	2342
10	1	45	3	143	3	153	24000	9000	5600	....	.....	38600	6025	6030	1877	7907	1805	5	.....	240	137	584	348	478	1787	3592	11499
I	4	140	24	668	24	551	327000	43800	5600	....	.....	376400	32175	26281	5701	31982	4918	5	2347	250	488	733	943	1170	3584	8502	40484

Second—Eastern or Topeka Conference

Index Number	Men's Number	Men's Members	W'm'n Number	W'm'n Members	Y'g P Number	Y'g P Members	Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Other Benevolence	Total Un-ap'd Ben.	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
1	1	40	5	128	4	116	50000	9000	.....	....	1500	60500	.....	3389	562	3951	1035	..	40	189	10	8	182	260	649	1684	5635
2	..	...	3	72	..	....	20000	3000	.....	1000	.....	24000	.....	1404	.....	1404	262	..	683	....	102	....	5	1	108	370	1774
3	..	...	1	11	1	13	5000	.....	50	....	.....	5050	4765	478	82	560	116	..	124	10	....	....	4	156	170	286	846
4	1	20	4	105	2	38	15000	5000	.....	....	4259	24259	.....	3329	282	3611	890	15	.....	16	19	5	494	303	837	1727	5338
5	2	50	6	385	4	155	200000	10000	20000	....	.....	230000	30500	11960	6330	18290	1084	..	216	15	250	157	359	138	919	2003	20293
6	..	...	3	59	1	17	53000	12000	.....	....	.....	65000	38700	3030	1000	4030	325	..	375	29	7	....	59	158	253	578	4608
7	..	...	2	28	2	50	5500	3500	....	....	.....	9000	.....	1574	724	2298	44	..	406	....	24	62	25	112	223	267	2565
8	1	60	6	229	4	77	110598	3500	.....	....	2500	116598	18450	5812	1561	7373	963	..	442	126	61	35	135	133	490	1453	8826
9	..	...	1	14	..	....	12000	2000	.....	....	.....	14000	700	220	.....	220	.....	..	85	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	220
10	..	...	1	24	..	....	10000	5000	.....	....	.....	15000	1500	1549	528	2077	281	..	569	....	....	....	84	....	84	315	2392

11	..	...	1	22	..	....	3000	.....	.....	....	.....	3000	.....	1307	189	1496	150	..	305	....	....	....	26	....	26	176	1672
12	..	...	1	30	1	26	.....	.....	.....	....	3019	3019	.....	957	101	1058	212	..	153	10	8	5	2	7	32	244	1302
13	..	...	1	30	1	18	6000	4000	.....	....	254	10254	1625	1130	347	1477	204	..	161	15	5	8	....	5	33	237	1714
14	1	35	3	148	3	115	107490	15000	.....	400	5000	127890	.....	8422	620	9042	2515	..	.....	1000	148	165	544	371	2228	4743	13785
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FOR 1938-39

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Mrs. C. L. Canfield, 207 East 68th St., Kansas City, Missouri.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE

SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

OF THE

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Held in First Lutheran Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, May 3-4, 1938
Rev. F. H. Bloch, Pastor

After meeting with Synod for Communion, the Women's Missionary Society convened at 11 a. m., May 3. The meeting was opened with the reading and repeating together of Psalm 100, followed by prayer by the President. The 58th annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society was declared opened by the President.

The following officers and delegates to the convention were enrolled: President, the three Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Statistical Secretary and Treasurer; the following Secretaries — Industrial, Historian and Education, Young Women, Light Brigade, Deaconess, Life Membership, Mission Study, Patron and Protege, Student, Annuity, Parliamentarian, Courtesy Chairman, The delegates were:

Abilene: Mrs. Otis B. Landes.
Atchison: Mrs. Harry Giles, Mrs. W. Winzenried.
Beloit: Mrs. Wm. Deschner.
Bendena: Mrs. R. E. Gaston.
Chapman: Mrs. G. K. Mykland, Mrs. Austin Sanborn.
Emporia: Mrs. E. T. Anderson, Mrs. B. E. Teichgraeber.
Eureka: Miss Marie Forbes, Mrs. Wm. Klover.
Ft. Smith: Mrs. C. P. Karriker, Eva M. King.
Glasco: Mrs. George Search.
Greenleaf: Mrs. Charles A. Harkness, Jr., Mrs. A. H. Hiesterman.
Hays: Mrs. Eda L. Wiest, Mrs. A. F. Swanson.
Hutchinson: Mrs. H. H. Wehry.
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.): Mrs. C. B. Rhoades.
Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's): Miss Willa Kjerulff.
Lawrence: Mrs. E. J. Netzer, Mrs. H. T. Jost.
Lancaster: Mrs. A. W. Malin, Mrs. Fred Kloepper.
Norcatur: Mrs. R. R. Pfeiffer.
Oklahoma City, Okla.: Mrs. J. H. McIntyre, Mrs. George Sellman, Mrs. J. R. Spielman.
Peabody: Mrs. Bryant Keller.
Salina: Mrs. Herbert W. Simmons.
St. Joseph: Mrs. Ira Thomas, Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. Milton Schwolm.
Topeka: Mrs. Fred Kramer, Mrs. Wayne Easterday.
Tulsa: Mrs. Louisa Maid, Mrs. E. V. Roland.
Wakeeney: Mrs. Wm. Mussemann, Mrs. Cyrill Malinowsky.
Wichita: Mrs. Anna Guiney, Mrs. G. Kuhlman, Mrs. W. E. Youngmeyer.

YOUNG WOMEN DELEGATES

Atchison: Mrs. W. E. Wheeler.
Glasco: Miss Frances Grittman. Miss Maggie Tobald.
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.): Miss Roma Wells.
Lawrence: Miss Birdean Miles.
Oklahoma City, Okla.: Jean E. Lainline, Esther Olsen, Mrs. W. VanStuck.
Tulsa, Okla.: Miss Beth Sibole, Mrs. Paul Lyons.
Washington: Miss Elizabeth Neu.
Wichita: Mrs. Anna Guiney, Mrs. G. Kuhlman, Mrs. W. E. Yungmeyer.

LIGHT BRIGADE REPRESENTATIVES

Lawrence: Mrs. C. A. Puls.
Tulsa: Mrs. Raymond Korte.
Wichita: Mrs. George P. Pyeatte.

During roll call announcements were made. The folowing new societies were introduced: Women's from Beloit, Kansas; Young Women's from Lawrence, Lancaster, Hays, Tulsa and Glasco. This makes two societies for Glasco. This last society was organized in October with a membership of 17, and a magazine subscription list of 10. This is a splendid record. New Light Brigades introduced from Glasco, Hays and Lancaster. Since Miss Vera Pederson, chairman of the Program Committee was unable to be present, the program was presented by Mrs. J. P. Jensen. It was moved and carried that the program as presented be accepted, subject to necessary changes, if occasion should arise. Mrs. George Smith, our former President, brought warm and hearty greetings to us all and made us all feel so very welcome. Mrs. Albert Hiesterman of Greenleaf, Kansas, gave a lovely and sincere response to the warm welcome that we have received. Two letters were read — one from Miss Agnes Christenson, enroute to India, and one from Mrs. C. E. Gardner, our National President. We paused for a moment for prayer, praying for the things as asked by Mrs. Gardner in her letter.

Our Courtesy Chairman, Mrs. Mykland, very charmingly and cleverly introduced the following guests:

Mrs. F. H. Bloch, wife of the Pastor of our host church.

Mrs. C. N. Swihart, a new adopted "daughter" into our midst, the bride of Rev. Swihart.

Mrs. C. A. Puls, as wife of the President of Synod.

Miss Beulah Blatt, Parish Worker, now at St. Mark's in Kansas City, Mo.

"Our Beloved Physician": Dr. Arlene Beal, Missionary from India.

The following Convention committees were appointed:

Reporter for the Kansas Synod Lutheran: Mrs. Wayne Easterday.

Reporter for the Lutheran: Mrs. Geo. Whittecar, Mrs. W. E. Yungmeyer.

Reporter for Lutheran Woman's Work: Mrs. W. H. Moeller, Mrs. C. R. Rhoades.

Reporter for Local Papers: Miss Esther Olsen, Miss Kitty Van Stuck.

Greetings to Synod: Mrs. G. K. Mykland.

Officers' Reports: Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Mrs. Wm. Deschner, Mrs. Carl Sundgren.

Education and Department Secretaries: Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary, Mrs. Ottis Landes, Mrs. W. Sondergard.

Resolutions: Mrs. W. B. Winzenried, Mrs. A. W. Malin, Mrs. Arthur Swanson.

Secretary's Minutes: Mrs. Charles Harkness, Mrs. George Search.

Claims: Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, Mrs. C. Shupert, Mrs. Harry Giles.

Letters and Communications: Miss Wilma Kjerulff, Mrs. E. T. Anderson, Mrs. George Sellman, Mrs. Cyrill Malinowsky.

Auditing: Mrs. George Smith.

Tellers: Miss Birdean Miles, Miss Beth Sibole, Miss La Vera Ross.

Pages: Miss Melva Williams, Miss Roma Wells.

Presentation of the ballot was given by Mrs. Klover, chairman. The next routine of business was the voting on the amendment to the Constitution, the

amendment being as follows: That the office of Historian be separated from the Educational Department and the Historian be re-elected indefinitely." By votes cast, this amendment was not accepted. It being time for our noon luncheon meeting, the convention adjourned.

The entire convention met for luncheon at a nearby restaurant where a lovely lunch was served. Mrs. McGuire, Light Brigade Secretary, and Mrs. Talbott, Young Women's Secretary, presented an interesting program at this meeting.

TUESDAY, 1:30 P.M.

After the luncheon meeting, we all assembled again and were led in devotions by Dr. Beal. Her Scripture lesson was taken from Luke 11, verses 9 to 11. This was a most beautiful and inspiring devotional. The minutes of the Board meeting and the morning session were read. The minutes of the morning session were approved as read. The minutes of the Board meeting were as follows:

The Executive Board meeting met at the home of Miss Vera Pederson, Monday evening, May 3, 1938, with 18 officers and secretaries responding to the roll call. The meeting was opened by the reading and repeating together of the 100th Psalm, followed by prayer by the President.

It was moved and carried that we continue to do as heretofore — that we dispense with the reading of the minutes after the Tuesday afternoon session; that we have a committee appointed to read and pass on the minutes.

It was moved and carried that the offerings of the convention be placed in the Synodical Fund and that after the bills are paid, if we so desire to give special donations, we do so at the close of our Synodical Convention.

It was moved and seconded that the amount of money to be given for the printing of the minutes be decided upon at our last session. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mykland, as Courtesy Chairman, was asked to extend an invitation to Dr. Bell and Dr. Hoover to visit our convention.

It was moved and carried that the doors be closed during our Devotional Periods.

The new method of voting to be introduced was discussed and the President asked that each Board member help to facilitate the voting.

It was announced that the luncheon meetings were to be part of our business meeting and that all delegates were to make it a point to be present. It was suggested that when the call to order was made that the Board Members make it their responsibility to see that this was carried out.

Discussion was had on the Amendment motion which is to come before the Convention.

Much discussion was had on the removal of Tabitha Home from the Synodical Budget. It was moved and carried that we recommend that the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States is not in favor of withdrawing Tabitha Home from the Synodical Budget. This information was to be given to Synod at once. This motion was carried.

Matter of separating the two conventions was also discussed.

The meeting closed with Prayer Circle.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Boersch, Secretary.

The Recommendations of the Executive Board were voted on separately and each adopted. The minutes, as a whole, were then voted upon and accepted.

Mrs. Mendenthall, a former member of the Nebraska Synod, was introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. Smith presided while the President read her report. The report, on motion, was placed in the hands of the proper committee.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Today, as we are permitted to assemble in our 58th annual convention, I may again report a year of advance. To Him Who has prospered us, may we return prayer, praise and Thanksgiving.

If you have read your reports, especially the ones of the treasurer and statistician, then you will have noted that with very few exceptions, there has been advance in all departments. It is particularly gratifying to note that those departments in which last year I pointed out retrenchments, wonderfully fine advances have been made, yea even strides. Especially is this true of the Thank Offering, Box Work, Life Membership Department and our Lilith Schwab pledge. Our treasurer and statistician will call attention to these glad tidings as they report.

With such encouragement, may I point out several places where this year's report indicates seeming weakness?

1. Last year I reported that we were within 100 of our membership goal for representation on the General Board. We are now farther away according to the 1937 report. Could it be possible that somewhere, some of us who have put our hands to the plow are looking back? It so happens that the losses have occurred among the ranks of the senior organization. I am delighted at the growth of the Light Brigade, the Junior Young Women and the Young Women's groups, especially in the Western Conference. Perhaps this year there are some who might hold graduation exercises, and promote their membership to the women's groups! During the present triennium we are represented on the General Board. Is it too much to expect our membership to grow during the remaining two years, sufficiently to maintain representation on the Board?

2. Will you go home resolved to build up the retrenched Mission Study Department in your own societies? So much and such fine literature is offered, such fine study helps supplied, selections so well made, the topics so widely treated, that in reading, our horizons are expanded, our interests expended, and our zeal for missions increased.

Will you, my friends watch particularly these two phases of our work, and in so doing, not neglect the others? I know you will.

So much has happened since our 57th convention! Mrs. Fenner was with us then and for some time following our meeting, and left a blessing and inspiration in many of our congregations the end of which is not yet. Miss Rohlfs has been in all but a very few of our congregations. Her enthusiasm, her fine sincere presentation of that which is dear to her, appealed to men, women and children. A missionary to China, Miss Rohlfs has missionated more than she herself may ever know, right here among us.

We have had a great General Convention held at Buffalo, with its challenge: "Ye are His Disciples, If ....." Reports of this convention were brought to you directly by three of the four of us who were permitted to attend

You have been represented at one Board meeting in Philadelphia. Reports of this meeting have reached you through special bulletins which I mailed to each society, through the columns of the Kansas Synod Lutheran and through the LUTHERAN, a copy of which was also mailed to each local organization in the Synod.

Thanks to Mrs. Fenner, Mrs. Ebright and Mrs. McGuire, our Synodical work has received considerable publicity in LUTHERAN WOMAN'S WORK.

The angel of Death has not passed us by. This year it was precious parents who were removed. Our statistician, Miss Ehret, lost her father; our last Year's toastmistress, Miss Weiskotten, our Mission Study Secretary, Mrs.

Sibole and very recently our Historian and Literature Secretary, Miss Sarah Grittman, all were bereft of their mothers and all that a mother means to her loved ones. One pastor's wife was removed from our midst, Mrs. Max Gilmer.

We thank God for these beautiful lives and for His mercy in taking them back unto Him. We extend our deep sympathy to those bereft. May they and we look forward to the day when we, too, can lay down our burden and rest in Him.

I come to my personal record.

In addition to attending and reporting the General Convention and the General Board meeting, I have served as guest speaker at four of the conferences of the W.M.S. of the Synod of Nebraska; addressed a Light Brigade Rally in Omaha; spoken at an informal meeting and at the main Sunday morning service in one of the churches of Lincoln. A total of 15 addresses were delivered during the year.

During the year I have served as secretary to the Foreign Missions Committee of Synod and at present am serving on the personnel committee of the General Board. I have sent out 883 letters and cards since the convention last year.

As your retiring president I now wish to thank you, my faithful Board, for your constant help and inspiration, and for your faithful work. It HAS been crowned with success. But no president, no Board can achieve as we have achieved during the past year without God's guidance and blessing, and without the faithful organizations back of them. So to you who at home have carried on, may I also express my hearty appreciation. I deem it a very great privilege to have been allowed to serve you. To me, these two years have been an expanding experience, filled with fine contacts, multitudinous tasks and leaving precious memories. Mistakes I have made. Sins there were of omission and commission. Yet you bore with me generously. Together, in spite of errors, we have gloriously achieved. Thanks be to God.

May I make this final plea for my successor. Will you give to her the loyal support which during the past two years was mine? Together may she, you and I go forth from this convention reconsecrated and re-dedicated to the great Cause of Him Whom we love—AND GLADLY SERVE.

Humbly yours,

Mrs. J. P. Jensen, President.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we, during the coming year, place special emphasis on the new Triennial Objective: ADVANCE IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP ALONG ALL LINES.
2. That we earnestly strive to build up our membership in all groups.
3. That we follow the sequence of publicity in the K.S.L. as was done this year, viz:
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4. That each organization study carefully the reports of the treasurer and statistician at a regular monthly meeting as soon as the reports are received.
5. That each society stress the personal obligation of its individual members towards the Lilith Schwab pledge.
6. That we as individuals and as societies strive and pray for peace in our own land as well as all countries of the world.

The first part of the ballot was presented and voted upon. While the

members were voting. Miss Stella Ehret gave the Statistical Report which was most helpful and enlightening. It gave us a splendid idea of how we have been advancing. On motion, her report was placed in the hands of the proper committee.

The Treasurer then gave her report and once again made us realize that money is not just material but has a spiritual value as well and if regarded in that light, will accomplish more. She had two very interesting and instructive posters to help illustrate her talk.

The offering was taken at this time and amounted to $17.15.

The Tellers reported on the election and the results were as follows:
President: Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.
Recording Secretary: Mrs. George L. Search.
Light Brigade Secretary: Mrs. O. W. Ebright.
Industrial Secretary: Mrs. E. J. Netzer.
Statistical Secretary: Miss Stella Ehret.
Young Women's Secretary: Mrs. C. L. Talbott.

Dr. Hoover, professor of Theology at Gettysburg Seminary, was presented to the Convention and gave us a few words of greeting.

Ballots were again passed and voting was resumed.

The Departmental Presentation was given by Mrs. Boersch in the form of a Round-the-World Flight and the work of the various departments was illustrated by posters.

The result of the voting on the second ballot was announced by the tellers:
President of Southern Conference: Mrs. George Smith.
President of Eastern Conference: Mrs. W. W. Wessen.
President of Western Conference: Mrs. Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.
Treasurer: Mrs. W. C. Jacobson.
Historian and Education Secretary: Mrs. G. K. Mykland.

Dr. Ritzen of Tabitha Home was introduced and gave us such an interesting talk on the work there. Our hearts were moved by the evidence of faith and prayer that keeps Tabitha Home going.

Miss Grittman made an announcement about the materials on her table.

Since the President of the Eastern and Western Conference had the same number of votes, it was necessary to vote on these two again in order to ascertain which is to be second and third vice-presidents. This election resulted in Mrs. Charles A. Harkness, Jr., as second vice-president and Mrs. W. W. Wessen as third vice-president.

Having taken care of the program as outlined for Tuesday, we were able to close on time. We were dismissed with a beautiful devotion by Mrs. Jensen on Stewardship of Grace — how we grow in grace through prayer; through service.

TUESDAY, 5:30 P.M.

The Young Women's Missionary Society of Oklahoma City, Okla., entertained the women at a banquet at the Masonic Temple. Mrs. C. L. Talbott presided and the guest speakers were Dr. Arlene Beal, Mrs. F. H. Bloch and Miss Beulah Blatt. At 8 p.m. the joint sessions met at the church and listened to an address by Dr. Beal and Rev. W. H. Moeller who spoke on Our Indian Mission at Rocky Boy. The evening offering amounted to $30.68.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 8:45 A.M.

After devotions with Synod, we assembled at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Mykland, our Courtesy Chairman, presented Dr. Bell, representative from the Executive Board.

Mrs. Wessen made announcements about the display from Rocky Boy and India.

The highlight of the morning program followed — "And Gladly Serve" our Convention theme. And Gladly Serve in India — Dr. Beal gave us a detailed account of the various duties required of a missionary and how a missionary "gladly serves" in all capacities.

Greetings from Synod were brought to us by Dr. Stauffer.

"And Gladly Serve" in Africa by Mrs. Bloch. She gave us a most interesting account of the missionary's work in Africa.

"And Gladly Serve" in Konnarock. Mrs. McGuire gave us a most delightful description of her visit to Konnarock, telling about the work being done there. She also had a very interesting display of various articles made by the pupils at Konnarock.

"And Glady Serve" in Life Service by Miss Beulah Blatt. She gave us a very clear and concise account of the difference between a Deaconess and Parish Worker and brought the thought how we all can "Gladly Serve" in His Service.

"And Gladly Serve" in our new Triennial Objective — Advancing in Stewardship in all lines by Mrs. Sibole. She gave us a few high lights of our new objective for the coming three years.

We adjourned at 11:30 to join with Synod in hearing an address by Dr. Hoover. The morning offering was taken at the doors which amounted to $13.28.

The entire convention met again for luncheon at which time Rev. Puls addressed us on the theme, "Shall the two conventions separate." No action was taken on this question.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

We assembled again at 1:30 p.m. and were led in devotions by Dr. Beal who used the 105th Psalm for her Scripture reading.

The Life and In Memoriam Membership Shower was conducted by Mrs. Lantz. She presented the Secretary with a lovely box, wrapped in white and tied with white ribbon. On opening the box, inside was a mirror and tied to the handle were life membership crosses. On holding the cross to the mirror, the names of the different societies were read and as they were called, the ones having life memberships to present came forward and received the cross. White candles were lighted for those who had gone to their Heavenly Home. Mrs. Juergensen was surprised with a Life Membership from her own society in honor of her election as President of the W. M. S.

Dr. Martin of Mdland College was presented and talked on the needs of Midland.

Reports of Convention Committees was the next order of business. The report of the Committee on Officers' Reports is as follows:

After due deliberation, the Committee on Officers' Reports submits the following recommendations of the President's report be adopted:

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4) That each organization study carefully the reports of the Treasurer and Statistician at a regular monthly meeting as soon as the reports are received.
5) That each society stress the personal obligation of its individual membersc towards the Lilith Schwab pledge.
6) That we, as individuals, and as societies strive and pray for peace in our own land as well as all countries of the world.

We appreciate the splendid administration of Mrs. J. P. Jensen as she has honored the office of President in our midst. We also commend the other officers for their diligence and service and herewith give them our thanks for their labors as they gladly served.

We recommend that the reports of the officers be accepted as read.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Robert E. Gaston,
Mrs. Wm. Deschner.

The motion was made to pass on the recommendations separately. This was carried. The first two recommendations, on motion, were accepted. It was moved that the publicity for the Deaconess work come in February instead of July because it would then correlate with the Church Year. Motion carried. It was then decided on motion, to have Patron and Protege come in July and Mission Study and Visitation in January. With these changes, the recommendation for publicity in the K.S.L. was adopted, on motion. The publicity is as follows:

January: Mission Study and Visitation.
February: Deaconess.
March: Industrial.
April: Box Work.
May: Life and In Memorial.
June: Young Women and Light Brigade.
July: Patron and Protege.
October: Thank Offering.
December: Historian and Education.
November: Magazine and Missionary Advance.

The fourth, fifth and sixth recommendations were also adopted on motion. It was then moved that the entire report be accepted. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORT ON EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

We, the committee on Education and Department Secretaries' Work submit the following report:

We wish to thank Mrs. Boersch for her very splendid and unique way of presenting the Department work in the form of a "Book Review."

It was very pleasing to note that in every department progress has been made. We were very happy to note that the Annuity Department has been renewed this year.

We wish to thank each and every one of our Secretaries for the splendid "And Gladly Serve" spirit shown in their reports.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. F. Rifenbary,
Mrs. O. B. Landes.

On motion, this report was accepted as read.

The Committee on Secretary's Minutes reported that the minutes had been examined and found to be correct. This report was accepted on motion.

REPORT ON LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

We, the committee on Letters and Communications, submit the following report:

The following letters were sent:

Mrs. C. E. Gardner, in acknowledgement of her letter of greeting and encouragement;

Mrs. Sherman Frederick, who has moved with her husband to the Nebraska Synod;

Mrs. Brent Schaeffer, who has also moved from our Synod;

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, a card of congratulations for the new baby;

Miss Emma Holm, who has left our Synod to be in training at our Philadelphia Mother House.

Respectfully submitted,

Miss Willa Kjerulff,
Mrs. Cyrill Malinowsky,
Mrs. George Sellman,
Mrs. E. T. Anderson.

It was moved and carried that this report be accepted as read.

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

President, Mrs. J. P. Jensen	$20.00
First Vice-President, Mrs. G. C. Smith	1.50
Third Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Mussemann	1.30
Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. P. Boersch	14.00
Statistical Secretary, Miss Stella Ehret	6.00
Treasurer, Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	13.46
Industrial Secretary, Mrs. W. W. Wessen	16.91
Historian and Education Secretary, Miss Sarah Grittman	15.00
Young Women Secretary, Mrs. C. L. Talbott	2.00
Light Brigade Secretary, Mrs. H. J. McGuire	5.00
Box Work Secretary, Mrs. Glen Miller	2.15
Patron and Protege Secretary, Mrs. R. E. Gaston	1.00
Student Secretary, Mrs. Thomas Frack	1.70
Thank Offering Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich	2.00
Chairman Nominating Committee, Mrs. W. W. Klover	2.93
Guest Missionary, Dr. Arlene Beal	15.78
Parish Worker, Miss Beulah Blatt	12.00
	$132.73

Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, Chairman.
Mrs. Harry Giles,
Mrs. Clifford Shupert.

The report of the Claims Committee was accepted as read, on motion.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

To Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States:

Having audited the books of Mrs. F. W. Juergensen, Treasurer, I do certify that all records are most complete and correct. At the close of business, April 29, 1938, there was a cash balance on hand as shown by the accompanying certificate, $318.51.

Mrs. George C. Smith.

This report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

At the close of this the Fifty-eighth annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States we would lift our hearts in grateful praise to our Heavenly Father for the blessings which have been ours throughout the past year, and for its spiritual enrichment. In recognition of God's goodness and mercy, be it resolved:

1. That we continue with increased zeal to work for the further extension of our Lord's Kingdom.
2. That we extend to Rev. and Mrs. Bloch and the membeers of the First Lutheran Church our sincere thanks for their cordial welcome and true hospitality.
3. That we express appreciation to the committees who graciously attended to all needs.
4. That we express gratitude to the members of the choir and the organist for the music which gave added inspiration to the annual missionary service held in conjunction with Synod; and to Dr. Beal and Rev. Moeller we extend heartfelt thanks for their excellent addresses which so clearly manifested consecrated Christian service.
5. That our sincere thanks are due Mrs. Jensen, president, for the gracious and thorough manner in which business has been conducted, and for her uplifting devotional periods; to the whole executive committee for their efficient service and fine reports; we are grateful to Mrs. Boersch for the splendid presentation of Department Secretaries' reports.
6. The theme "And Gladly Serve" was clearly exemplified during the whole convention. Particularly informative and worthy of our great interest were the special messages on both foreign and home mission work brought by Dr. Beal, Mrs. Bloch, Mrs. McGuire and Miss Blatt.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. B. Winzenried,
Mrs. A. W. Malin,
Mrs. Arthur Swanson.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was accepted as read.

The offering taken at this time amounted to $10.19.

A motion was made that we give $40.00 towards the printing of the Minutes. This motion was carried.

It was moved and carried that we send Miss Lilith Schwab a gift from this convention. An amendment to this motion was made that we give a stipulated amount — that we give $10.00. This amendment was carried on motion. The motion, as amended, was then voted on—that we give $10.00 to Miss Schwab as a gift from this convention. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to give Dr. Beal a gift of $5.00 in appreciation of her services. This motion was withdrawn with the consent of the second. A new motion was made that we give Dr. Beal $10.00 to be added to her fund for the purchase of a new car for use in India.

It was announced by Mrs. Juergensen that she had received an anonymous gift of $10.00, $5.00 to be added to Miss Schwab's gift and $5.00 to Dr. Beal's gift.

Dr. Beal came forward and gave us some information on some of the books that were for sale at the Literature table.

Mrs. McGuire told us some interesting things about the exhibits from Konnarock.

A discussion period followed, various Departmental Secretaries presenting thoughts and ideas. Mrs. Humphrey spoke on the Annuity Department; Mrs. McGuire discussed briefly the New Light Brigade methods to be introduced. Dr. Beal spoke on Box Work and the pleasure they all got in opening the boxes. She advised that we keep the duty on these boxes as low as possible, and to write on the box: "For Mission Use." Mrs. Frack spoke a few words on the Student Work.

Installation of Officers followed, Mrs. Jensen being the installing officer.

It was announced that at the close of the Convention, the new President would like a meeting of the Executive Board.

The closing of our Synodical Convention came next, using the closing versicles in the Hymnal, followed by Prayer by our President. The 58th Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States was declared closed.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Recording Secretary.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES PRESENTED TO THE CONVENTION

REPORT OF FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

The Southern Conference met in Wichita, Kansas, on Tuesday, October 19th, 1937, with the following organizations represented:—Oklahoma City, Wellington, Eureka, Emporia and Wichita. Rain and muddy highways prevented many from coming. The president, Mrs. Geo. C. Smith, presided. Mrs. Arnold Lewis, Eureka, led the beautiful devotional service. During the short business session, Mrs. Seth Lindburg, Eureka, was elected vice-president, and Mrs. Harold Doty, Wichita, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. C. C. Emmerick, Wichita, brought a very forceful message concerning the true meaning and importance of the Thank Offering.

Mrs. Thos. Frack, Synodical Student Secretary, gave a good report of the student work and urged the need of cooperation.

Mrs. O. W. Ebright, Missionary Advance Chairman, gave much interest to the splendid work being done throughout the Synod.

Mrs. Geo. Titus, Wichita, presented the Mission Study books for the year in a most interesting way.

A beautiful message was given through the channels of our treasury by Mrs. F. W. Juergensen.

The Conference stood in silence for a moment, as prayers were offered for peace in China and Japan.

Mrs. W. O. Ebright brought the high lights of the Buffalo convention which were most complete and most interesting.

Dr. Stauffer added much to our program in his brief talk.

An offering of $10.00 was received, which was unanimously voted to be placed in the Lilith Schwab fund.

May we continue in prayerful intercession for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. Geo. C. Smith.

REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

The Eastern Conference met in Bendena, Kansas on October 21st. Practically all societies in the conference were represented — 160 being present. A delightful 15c luncheon was served by the ladies of the Bendena and Moray Societies and Mrs. J. P. Jensen and Mrs. E. P. Boersch brought inspirational and interesting accounts of the Buffalo Convention. An offering of $22 was received to be applied on Miss Schwab's salary. A playlet—"Uniting the United Lutheran Women" was presented by the women of the Bendena and Moray societies. Open discussion was held in which many took part with suggestions and questions regarding the work as a whole. A fine spirit of fellowship and co-operation prevailed and all present returned home filled with inspiration and enthusiasm to carry on for further "missionary advance."

We gratefully thank God for the accomplishments during the past year and pray that His Holy Spirit will guide us on so that His Kingdom may continue to advance throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. G. E. McReynolds.

REPORT OF THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT

The Western Conference met in Greenleaf, Kansas, October 20 with delegates present from most of our societies.

Rev. Search gave a most interesting and inspirational discourse, at the morning devotionals, on the parable of the Sower. A bountiful lunch was served at noon.

A very interesting program was given in the afternoon. Mrs. J. P. Jensen and Mrs. E. P. Boersch brought us a splendid report of the Buffalo Convention. A short play was given by the young women of the church which was very inspiring.

Letters were sent to all the churches in the Western Conference during the year, stressing the missionary work as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. Wm. H. Mussemann.

REPORT OF BOX WORK SECRETARY

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these...." must have been in the hearts of our missionary societies, as the past year shows a fine increase in this department. However, there seems to be a closer bond to our Inner Mission projects. Let us during the coming year remember also the Home and Foreign Mission projects in the spirit of: "Freely ye have received, freely give."

	Home	Inner	Foreign
Women's Societies	$179.00	$575.00	$149.00
Young Women's Societies	141.00	138.00	23.00
Light Brigade	6.00	42.00	185.00
Total	$326.00	$755.00	$185.00

For further information see the statistical report.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Glenn H. Miller, Box Work Secretary.

REPORT OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND IN MEMORIAM SECRETARY

Numerically our Life and In Memoriam Department shows an increase over the previous record year. We all rejoice in this progress. This Department will never lose its appeal. Let us keep our goals ever before us.

For the number of Life Memberships received from January 1st to December 31, 1937, please consult the Statistical Report. We recommend that every organization keep this objective constantly before it and strive to realize the grand objective—Every Member a Life Member.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. B. R. Lantz.

REPORT OF MAGAZINE SECRETARY

	1936	1937	1938
WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY	59	65	93
Y. W. MISSIONARY SOCIETY	17	13	17
	76	78	110

The advance over last year being 32 new subscriptions. We now have a total subscription list of 570.

Our honor societies include St. Joseph with 40 subscriptions in the Y. W. M. S.; Bendena, Wichita, Beloit, and Lawrence.

I m sure all are inspired spiritually after reading and studying our Lutheran Woman's Work.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. L. M. Stroud.

REPORT OF THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY

Letters with literature and greetings sent to all recorded societies in our Synod. One article sent to Kansas Synod Lutheran. For the past year there is a nice increase of about $200, but study the Treasurer's Report and see if you are satisfied with your local society's report. Have we done OUR best?

Let us pray we may "Advance Through Christian Stewardship" in giving more liberally of our time, our talents, and our possessions. Remember Christ gave His all.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. C. C. Emmerich.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN AND LITERATURE SECRETARY

According to custom, your historian has placed on file the minutes of the 1937 Convention as well as all issues of the Kansas Synod Lutheran. Pictures of two more of our past presidents, Mrs. Thos. Franck and Mrs. Emma Runkle, have also been given us for our files.

Copies of the Thank-Offering services from 1903 to 1913, written by Mrs. Alice Bond, the first Thank-Offering Secretary of the General Synod, were loaned to Mrs. Meck, the present Thank-Offering Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society of the U. L. C., and were used by her for the display at the Buffalo Convention in October.

One article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran which appeared in the January, 1938, issue.

Sales for the literature sold at the last convention amounted to $27.65. Sup-

plementary material and books for all phases of missionary work will be on display as usual.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) Sarah Grittman, Secretary.

REPORT OF STUDENT SECRETARY

For complete figures and comparisons, see the statistical report. It is significant that out of a total of 118 students reported, but eight were listed as enrolled in Lutheran institutions! However, as but 6 out of 43 congregations made a report, it is hoped that the number attending the Lutheran schools is greater than eight. But is it not urgent that we follow "our own" onto the campuses of non-Lutheran schools, particularly as the greater number seem to be in attendance there?

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Thomas Frack, Student Secretary.

REPORT OF YOUNG WOMEN'S SECRETARY

During the year 1936 letters were sent to the Pastors of the congregations who did not have a Young Women's Society, urging them to consider organizing one. As a result the past year we have had two new societies—one at Lawrence and one at Kansas City, Kansas. This makes a total of 15 societies and a total membership of 285. Although we have had a gain of two new societies, we have only had a gain of three members over last year due to losses in the Southern and Western Conferences and one society in the Eastern Conference. There was a slight gain in membership in the Eastern Conference.

We have had a gain of $75.89 in our total offerings for 1937. Our Young Women have contributed $170.50 to the salary of Miss Lilith Schwab. We hope and pray that we may meet our goal of $1.00 per member during this next year. If every young woman in each society would give 8½ cents a month we could meet this obligation in full.

Let us encourage our young women and remember our goal—a Young Women's Missionary Society in every congregation in our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. L. Talbott.

LIGHT BRIGADE—1937

During the past year, literature and leaflets on Light Brigade work have been sent to all congregations in our Synod who do not report a Light Brigade, urging them to use the Light Brigade stories as the basis for a monthly missionary program in the children's departments of their Sunday School. The majority of our congregations are now following this plan for their Light Brigade work, and report that the results are far more gratifying than when meetings were held during the week.

As we summarize the Light Brigade achievements for the past year, we are happy to welcome two new societies to our Roll—one at Lancaster, Kansas, and the other at Glasco, Kansas. We now have a membership of 966, which is a gain of 100% in the past five years. We are thankful for the renewed interest being shown in our children's work, as we report a gain of 145 members during this year, with an increase of $56.56 in our offerings.

May the coming year find us even more interested in the work of this Department. Let us hasten the time when every child in every congregation shall be receiving definite missionary information as prepared by our capable leaders, so that each one may grow into an intelligent church member, who is informed about the work of his own Lutheran Church both at home and abroad. Let us keep as our goal, "A Light Brigade in every congregation of our Synod."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Harmon J. McGuire,
Light Brigade Secretary.

REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL SECRETARY

SALES:	India Lace	Basket Work	Bead Work	Miscl.	Total
By Societies	$58.53	$14.10	$33.80	$ 4.00	
At Wichita Convention	26.95	13.30	9.20	—	
	$85.48	$27.40	$43.00	$4.00	$159.88
Offerings — India Lace Day					$115.71
					$275.59

One article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran and 45 letters written. The Industrial Products have been displayed by the secretary at the Wichita Convention and three other meetings.

We are grateful that for a number of years the India Lace Day Offerings have steadily increased. This is also true of sales, with one exception. However, we would remember that a continuous market for the sale of these products is essential. Can we visualize the benefits which might be accomplished if MORE SOCIETIES would SELL. Even small sales help. We would call attention to the fact that greater support should be given to the sale of the Bead Work from Rocky Boy as very few societies have reported sales.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. W. W. Wessen.

REPORT OF MISSION STUDY AND LENTEN WEEK OF PRAYER

Our records show that our Mission Study Classes have retrenched in the past few years—a fact which is causing much concern among our Church leaders. "A missionary mind is a mind whose vision is world wide, reaching beyond the national or purely local." Surely at no time has the world needed such a world wide Christian vision as now and this can be gained by mission study. Our mission study subjects are always intensely interesting, so let's strive, this coming year, to build up this very, very important phase of our work.

Letters were sent to every society in the Synod and two articles written for the "Kansas Synod Lutheran," urging for a real awakening of our women during the Lenten Season — to reconsecrate themselves to His Service. Great blessings surely will be in store for all those who observe the Week of Prayer and who have Mission Study classes.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. P. Sibole, Secretary.

REPORT ON MISSIONARY ADVANCE

Looking back upon the Missionary Advance Objective in our Synod, we are sure of one thing: WHEREVER INDIVIDUALS HAVE PLANNED, WORKED AND PRAYED for it, there HAS been Missionary Advance. We know there are congregations where there has been increased payment of Benevolence; establishment of Family Altars and the restoring of lapsed members as well as a changed spirit and deeper concern regarding the "Whole Program of the Whole Church."

We give thanks for the spirit of personal consecration and cooperation which this reveals. We express, also, our gratitude to the Board of American Missions and to Miss Rohlfs for her itinerary, during the Epiphany season. We believe this has proven one of the most fruitful contributions to Missionary Advance.

We report a good number participating in two specially called periods for united intercession during this past year. We have God's promise that these were fruitful. We are happy to report that several mission study classes were held in the family circle with the study book suitable for children. The Week of Prayer program, adapted to children, was used in at least twelve family

circles. Children were also given the opportunity to make visits with mother or a Sunday School teacher.

As we lay down the chairmanship of Missionary Advance, in behalf of the new Triennial Objective, "Advance in Christian Stewardship Along All Lines," we urge:

1. That more consideration be given the possibilities of the Objective among children and young people.
2. (a) That we give wider circulation to the excellent little magazine, "The Quarterly Visitor." What society will be the first to have a year's subscription (only 20 cents) going into every home in the congregation?
   (b) That Lutheran Literature, magazine and leaflet, be made accessible to the public — in reading rooms, railroad stations, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. O. W. Ebright.

REPORT OF DEACONESS SECRETARY

Sister Emma Holm, Oklahoma City, the only representative from this Synod preparing for deaconess work, is now in her second year of training at the Philadelphia Motherhouse. She received her garb at a service last May. An article relative to this Department's work appeared in the Kansas Synod Lutheran in July. Deaconess literature has been distributed, some correspondence conducted and several talks given by this secretary during the past year regarding her department.

Mrs. George R. Whittecar, Secretary.

REPORT OF PATRON AND PROTEGE SECRETARY

W. M. S.:

Atchison, Kansas — Native Worker in India	$ 50.00	
Hays, Kansas — Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	3.00	
Hutchinson, Kansas — Kurumi, Japan — Kindergarten pupil	6.50	
Kansas City, Kans., Kindergarten pupils, two, Hakata, Japan	10.00	
Lawrence, Kansas — Kindergarten pupil in Japan	5.00	
Rockport, Mo., Native Bible Woman in India (by "A Friend")	50.00	
St. Joseph, Mo. — Native worker in India	50.00	
Wakeeney, Kansas — Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	5.00	
Wichita, Kansas — African Student	40.00	
		$219.50

Y. W. M. S.:

Emporia, Kansas — Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	$ 10.00	
Wichita, Kansas — Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	5.00	
Wichita, Kansas — Native Bible Woman in India	50.00	
Wichita, Kansas — Helen Buschow in Tabitha Home	120.00	
		$185.00

LIGHT BRIGADE:

Hutchinson, Kansas — Kindergarten Pupil in Japan	$ 4.00	
		4.00
TOTAL		$408.50

Letters and literature were sent to each of the Societies in our Synod and one article written for The Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. Robert E. Gaston, Secretary.

LIGHT BRIGADE
Superintendent or Leader

Atchison, Kans.	Miss Helen Fink	433 So. 6th St.
Bendena, Kans.	Mrs. Ross Elliott	Bendena, Kans.
Chapman, Kans.	Mrs. Glenn Miller	R. F. D. No. 1.
Eureka, Kans.	Mrs. Arnold Lewis	Eureka, Kans.
Emporia, Kans.	Miss Lenora Reider	212 E. 7th St.
Ft. Smith, Ark.	Frances Reutzel	1008 S. 22nd St.
Glasco, Kans.	Mrs. Geo. L. Search	Glasco, Kans.
Hutchinson, Kans.	Mrs. Thelma Buskirk	209 E. 4th St.
Hays, Kans.	Mrs. W. H. Moeller	1207 Fort St.
Lawrence, Kans.	Mrs. J. P. Jensen	600 Louisiana St.
Lancaster, Kans.	Mrs. Albert Stutz	Lancaster, Kans.
Kansas City, Kans.	Helen Musler, c-o Mrs. J. Comby	2754 N. 22nd.
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	Miss Katherine Boersch	321 So. Jackson.
Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's)	Mrs. N. O. Lindey	814 E. 33rd.
Peabody, Kans.	Mrs. L. M. Stroud	150 So. Hillside.
St. Joseph, Mo.	Mrs. H. J. McGuire	316 So. Tenth.
Topeka, Kans.	Mrs. W. W. Wessen	1210 Garfield.
Tulsa, Okla.	Mrs. R. H. Korte	1531 No. Denver.
Valley Falls, Kans.	Nelle F. Pugh	Valley Falls, Kans.
Wichita, Kans.	Mrs. F. W. Juergensen	319 Ida Ave.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

January 1 to December 31, 1937

	General Fund	Triennial Con. Exp. Fund	Synodical Fund	Thank Offering	World Day of Prayer	Lenten Self-denial Offering	Christmas Offering	Lilith Schwab	Life Memberships	In Memoriam	Honorary Members	Canadian Luth. Disaster Relief	Jewish Missions	Patron and Protege	Porto Rico Milk Fund	India Cyclone Relief	Mrs. Fenner's Exp.	Internat'l Toy Shop	Myrtle Wilke	Tabitha Home	India Lace Offerings	TOTAL
Women's Societies																						
Abilene, Kansas..	32.50	2.20	4.40	44.86		10.35		32.00	20.00								5.00				5.25	156.56
Atchison, Kans...	29.70	2.20	4.40	37.05		4.50	5.00	36.00	20.00					50.00							6.60	195.45
Bendena, Kans....	24.00			21.00		.75	.50	10.00														56.25
Beloit, Kans.....	2.10	.70	.70	16.20																		19.70
Chapman, Kans...	15.40		5.60	51.50				18.00													2.50	93.00
Cole Camp, Mo...	7.05			3.85																		10.90
Emporia, Kans...	19.50	1.60	4.80	31.02				25.50	10.00	15.00											6.20	113.62
Eureka, Kan	26.75	3.00	6.00	6.05		5.50		39.50														86.80
Fort Smith, Ark..	16.30	1.50	3.50	13.71		4.32		22.03									3.42					64.78
Greenleaf, Kans..	21.60	1.80	5.40	22.60	2.60			6.00														60.00
Hays, Kansas....	20.10	1.60	3.40	49.47		3.65	2.00	25.14	20.00					3.00							6.63	134.99
Hutchinson, Kans.	8.10	1.00	1.00	15.00				8.00						6.50								39.60
Kansas City, Kans "Trinity".....	21.30	1.80	3.60	17.41		11.00	8.66	24.75	10.00					10.00						5.00		113.52
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.)...	29.10	2.80	5.60	55.00				36.45		25.00	1.00		5.00			3.00						162.95
Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's)...	39.60	3.20	6.40	105.87			5.00	49.50			10.00					10.00					17.42	246.99
Lawrence, Kans...	23.20	2.10	4.20	95.00		12.65	7.00	26.50		15.00	12.00			5.00				3.70			6.65	213.00
Lancaster, Kans...	31.80	2.10	4.20	40.15				26.00														104.25
Moray-Troy, Kans	15.60	1.30	2.60	7.25				19.60														46.35
Norcatur, Kans....									20.00													20.00
Okla. City, Okla...	27.60	2.30	4.60	40.25			4.20	34.50	10.00			10.00										133.45
Peabody, Kans...	8.40	.80	1.60	8.60				10.25		15.00												44.65
Rockport, Mo. "A Friend".....														50.00								50.00
Salina, Kans.....	24.00	2.00	4.00	20.00					10.00													60.00
St Joseph, Mo....	58.80	4.90	9.80	94.88		15.50		83.44	20.00		16.00			50.00		10.00						363.32
Sedalia, Mo.....	10.00																					10.00
Topeka, Kans....	16.50	1.40	2.80	14.56				22.50														57.76
Tulsa, Okla.....	28.80	2.40	2.40	45.70				36.00													13.08	128.38
Valley Falls, Kans.	12.00	1.20	1.80	6.06				8.32														29.38
Wakeeney, Kans..	19.40	1.20	2.40	10.00		6.09		21.00		15.00				5.00							1.38	81.47
Washington, Kans	12.60			14.10				10.00														36.70
Waterville, Kans. (Hebron).....	13.45			3.15																		16.60
Waterville, Kans. (St. Mark's).....	12.15	.50	1.00	8.70				5.43														27.78
Wellington, Kans..	16.50	1.20		10.00				26.50														54.20
Wichita, Kans.....	38.10	3.30	6.60	181.09		6.82	12.35	47.63	80.00	90.00	21.00			40.00						49.50		576.39
Wilson, Kans.....	23.00			37.48			4.43	5.00														69.91
1937 Convention Wichita Offer...			101.83																			101.83
Eastern Con.							1.00	4.00						10.00		12.00			2.95			31.95
Bendena, Kans....	30.00	2.50	5.00	6.00																		31.65
Emporia, Kans....	9.00			2.65		5.55	5.50	30.00	10.00													97.20

Wichita Offer.			101.83																					101.83
Eastern Con.																								
Bendena, Kans.	30.00	2.50	5.00	6.00			1.00	4.00																
Emporia, Kans.	9.00			2.65										10.00										21.65
Glasco, Kans.	19.20	1.60	3.20	20.00		2.95	5.30	20.00	10.00							12.00				2.95				97.20
Kansas City, Kans "Trinity"	14.40			5.05																				19.45
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	20.00	1.60	3.20						10.00															34.80
Okla. City, Okla. (JOY)	9.00	3.00	2.00																				8.00	22.00
Okla. City, Okla.	28.20	2.90	5.80	98.65				60.00			1.00						8.50							205.05
Peabody, Kans.	18.10	1.40	3.00	13.88				10.00														5.00		51.38
Salina, Kans.	13.20	1.10	2.20	18.66				10.00	10.00															55.16
Tulsa, Okla.	23.40	1.60	3.20	24.61				20.00	10.00								5.31							88.12
Valey Falls, Kans.	18.00			8.00																				26.00
Wellington, Kans.	9.00																							9.00
Wichita, Kans.	43.20	4.20	8.40	140.21	9.45	7.83		36.50	20.00		32.00			55.00								120.00		476.79
TOTALS	269.10	19.90	36.00	351.86	9.45	10.78	6.30	170.50	60.00		33.00			65.00		12.00	13.81		2.95	125.00			8.00	1193.65
Light Brigades																								
Atchison, Kans.	2.50			7.00																				9.50
Bendena, Kans.	3.62			2.27			.50																	6.39
Chapman, Kans.	8.88			4.42													2.50							15.80
Emporia, Kans.	9.64			4.00	.41											1.25	1.50							16.80
Eureka, Kans.	12.07								10.00															22.07
Hutchinson, Kans.	6.55													4.00	3.50								3.00	17.05
Kansas City, Kans "Trinity"	11.87																						8.50	20.37
Kansas City, Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	6.65			3.56																				10.21
Kansas City, Mo. (St. Mark's)	9.28								10.00								2.00						2.00	23.28
Lawrence, Kans.	3.40			4.00					10.00															17.40
Salina, Kansas																	3.00							3.00
St. Joseph, Mo.	30.00			20.00													5.00						10.00	65.00
Topeka, Kans.	18.09			11.98													2.00	3.57						35.64
Tulsa, Okla.	2.00																							2.00
Wakeeney, Kans.	1.57																							1.57
Wellington, Kans.				2.20																				2.20
Wichita, Kans.	19.32			20.20																			18.50	58.02
TOTALS	145.44			79.63	.41		.50		30.00					4.00	3.50	1.25	16.00	3.57					42.00	326.30
Recapitulation																								
W. M. S.	705.00	50.10	204.63	1127.56	2.60	81.13	49.14	747.54	220.00	175.00	60.00	10.00	5.00	219.50		23.00	8.42	3.70		54.50		65.71		3812.53
Y. W. M. S.	269.10	19.90	36.00	351.86	9.45	10.78	6.30	170.50	60.00		33.00			65.00		12.00	13.81		2.95	125.00		8.00		1193.65
Light Brigade	145.44			79.63	.41		.50		30.00					4.00	3.50	1.25	16.00	3.57				42.00		326.30
TOTAL REC'TS	1119.54	70.00	240.63	1559.05	12.46	91.91	55.94	918.04	310.00	175.00	93.00	10.00	5.00	288.50	3.50	36.25	38.23	7.27	2.95	179.50		115.71		5332.48
Bal. on hand Dec. 31. 1936		9.80	84.37					.53			37.00													131.70
GRAND TOTAL	1119.54	79.80	325.00	1559.05	12.46	91.91	55.94	918.57	310.00	175.00	130.00	10.00	5.00	288.50	3.50	36.25	38.23	7.27	2.95	179.50		115.71		5464.18
Disbursed in 1937	1119.54	*73.20	*197.45	1559.05	12.46	*91.91	55.94	*918.09	310.00	175.00	130.00	10.00	5.00	288.50	3.50	36.25	38.23	7.27	2.95	179.50		115.71		5329.55
Bal. in funds Dec. 31, 1937		6.60	127.55					.48																134.63

NOTES—First two * * Total Triennial due in June and paid $123.05. Bal. of $49.85 taken from Synodical Fund.
Second two * * Lenten Self-Denial Offering $91.91 applied on Lilith Schwab Fund making a total of $1010.00.

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The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America

Eastern Conference

NAME OF SOCIETY AND CHURCH	Members				Life Memberships		Mem- In Mem. berships		Thank Offering			Annuity	Patron and Protege		Visitation			Mission Study				
	No. Societies	Active	Associate	Total	Number Given This Year	Total No. Given By or Through Society	Number Given This Year	Total No. Given By or Through Society	No. Congregational T.O. Secs.	No. Public T. O. Meetings Held	No. Members Observing Daily Thank Offering	No. Bonds Taken This Year	No. Bible Women and Native Workers sup.	No. Scholarships supported	No. Homes on Visiting List	"Quarterly Visitors" Distributed	No. Becoming Active Members	No. Classes Organized This Year	No. Members in Class	No. Missionary Reading Circles	No. Members in Reading Circles	Honor Roll Members
Atchison	1	26	....	26	2	26	....	....	1	1	....	....	1	....	6	12	....	1	16	....	....	....
Bendena	1	25	1	26	....	6	....	4	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cole Camp	1	22	8	30	2	2	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Kansas City, Kans.	1	17	1	18	1	8	....	1	1	2	18	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
Kans. C., Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	1	20	....	20	....	7	1	3	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Kans. C., Mo. (St. Mark's)	1	34	16	50	1	26	....	6	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
Lancaster	1	22	....	22	....	....	....	....	....	2	22	....	....	....	30	35	....	1	22	1	21	....
Lawrence	1	22	8	30	....	23	1	6	1	1	14	....	....	1	98	58	1	1	16	....	....	....
Moray	1	14	....	14	....	1	2	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sedalia	1	10	....	10	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Joseph	1	54	21	75	2	21	....	4	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Topeka	1	15	....	15	1	1	3	3	1	2	5	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	10	....	....	....
Valley Falls	1	10	5	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	10	....
TOTALS	13	291	60	351	9	123	7	40	7	13	59	....	3	3	134	105	1	4	64	4	31	....

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Emporia	1	16	2	18	1	8	1	3	1	5	6	....	....	....	60	100	1	5	14	3	21	2
Eureka	1	30	20	50	....	2	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ft. Smith	1	24	1	25	....	16	....	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	1	12	1	9	....
Hutchinson	1	7	4	11	....	5	....	....	....	1	3	....	1	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oklahoma City	1	23	....	23	1	22	1	9	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Peabody	1	7	2	9	....	60	1	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tulsa	1	24	8	32	....	....	....	....	1	2	31	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	41	....	....	....
Wellington	1	13	....	13	....	6	....	....	1	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wichita	1	38	21	59	9	32	4	13	1	2	40	....	....	2	20	95	1	1	30	....	....	2
TOTALS	9	182	58	240	11	151	7	32	6	15	81	....	1	2	166	195	2	9	97	4	30	4

Western Conference

TOTALS	9	182	58	240	11	151	7	32	6	15	81	....	1	2	165	195	2	9	97	4	30	4

Western Conference

Abilene	1	22	4	26	2	60	....	13	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	40	....	....	....
Beloit (new)	1	7	....	7	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Chapman	1	14	10	24	2	3	1	2	1	1	....	....	....	....	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....
Greenleaf	1	18	....	18	....	....	....	....	1	1	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hays	1	17	2	19	2	13	....	2	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Salina	1	30	19	49	1	22	....	3	1	2	....	....	....	....	20	20	1	....	....	....	....	....
Wakeeney	1	14	....	14	....	11	1	2	....	2	12	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	24	....
Washington	1	20	4	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Waterville (Hebron)	1	10	....	10	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Waterville (St. Mark's)	1	9	8	17	....	22	....	3	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wilson	1	23	3	26	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	11	184	50	234	7	131	2	26	5	13	47	....	1	1	30	40	1	2	40	2	24	....

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Eastern Conference

Atchison	1	14	2	16	....	....	....	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bendena	1	20	2	22	....	3	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lawrence (new)	1	11	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Kansas City, Kans.	1	16	....	16	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Kans. C., Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	1	15	1	16	1	4	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Valley Falls	1	10	7	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	6	86	12	98	1	7	....	1	2	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

Southern Conference

Emporia Jr. Y. W.	1	12	1	13	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oklahoma City, Okla.	1	24	1	25	2	5	....	1	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	27	....	....	....
Oklahoma City, Jr. Y. W.	1	10	1	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Peabody	1	14	....	14	....	2	....	....	....	2	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tulsa	1	14	6	20	1	3	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wellington	1	10	....	10	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wichita	1	35	31	66	2	18	1	1	....	1	35	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	7	119	40	159	6	29	1	2	2	9	49	....	1	2	....	....	....	1	27	....	....	....

Western Conference

Glasco, Jr. Y. W.	1	16	1	17	1	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Salina	1	11	....	11	1	1	....	....	....	1	6	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
TOTALS	2	27	1	28	2	2	....	1	....	2	6	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

Summary

Women's	33	657	168	825	27	405	16	98	18	41	187	....	5	6	329	340	4	15	201	10	85	6
Young Women's	15	232	53	285	9	38	1	4	4	15	55	....	2	3	....	....	....	1	27	....	....	3
Light Brigade's	19	966	....	966	4	16	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
GRAND TOTAL	67	1855	221	2076	40	459	17	102	22	68	242	....	7	9	329	340	4	16	228	10	85	9

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Deaconness		Women Students from Congregation			Magazines			Box Work Estimated values in dollars only						Lenten Meetings	
								Home		Inner		Foreign			
No. in Service	No. Candidates in Training	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Nurses in Training	No. New Subs. Rec. This Year	Total No. of Subs. This Year	No. Subs. Luth. Boys and Girls	Boxes	Value	Boxes	Value	Boxes	Value	No. Meet's Held During Week of Prayer	Average Attendance
....	....	....	....	....	7	20	75	....	....	1	12	....	....	5	16
....	....	....	....	....	3	16	....	....	....	1	10	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	2	16	....	....	....	1	5	....	....	1	20
....	....	....	....	....	....	30	45	1	14	3	13	1	3	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	5	24	....	2	10	9	129	5	77	....	....
....	....	....	4	....	6	16	....	1	5	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	6	....	4	21	....	1	17	....	....	....	....	2	34
....	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	2	18	....	....	1	5	....	....	....	....
....	....	1	8	....	5	40	20	....	....	1	7	3	25	5	....
....	....	....	....	....	8	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	2	1	....	15	....	....	....	4	30	1	3	1	14
....	....	1	20	1	40	227	158	5	46	21	211	10	108	14	70

Southern Conference

....	....	....	1	....	6	16	....	....	....	3	44	....	....	5	15
....	....	....	9	1	....	13	25	....	....	1	25	....	....	5	12
....	....	....	....	....	2	16	12	....	....	1	85	....	....	10	46
....	....	....	....	....	....	4	40	....	....	1	15	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	2	....	3	14	....	2	40	1	5	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	4	11	....	1	25	1	5	....	....	....	....
....	....	1	2	....	12	28	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	20
....	....	....	....	....	....	10	40	....	....	1	20	....	....	....	....
....	....	1	1	....	4	33	....	2	50	2	15	1	13	3	30
....	....	2	15	1	31	145	152	5	115	11	214	1	13	24	123

Western Conference

		1	1		4	33		2	50	2	15		1	13	3	30					
		2	15	1	31	145	152	5	115	11	214		1	13	24	123					

Western Conference

			4	2	1	21				1	10	1	5	1							
						12															
		2				12				1	10			1							
					3	9	15							5	13						
			8		4	17	25			1	25			5	11						
		1	9	2	8	25		2	18	1	7			1	25						
					1	11				1	25			5	25						
					4	4				2	25	1	23								
		1	1			8				1	6										
		1	3			6	20			1	42										
					1	14															
		5	25	4	22	139	60	2	18	9	150	2	28	18	69						

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Personnel of Y. W. Society: High School Students; College Students; Business and Professional Girls; Home Makers; Other Phases of Christian Work

Eastern Conference

			4			4				2	40			1	16			13	3		
					1	10				3	20							3	19		
		1	1															11	5		
					2	5												11	5		
																		7	10		
		1	5		3	19				5	60			1	16			45	42		

Southern Conference

			1			1	35	2	11	3	11					10	1		2		
1					1	6		3	11			1	5	1	15			18	7		
			3					3	20	2	20						3	7	1		
					2	7												9	5		
					4	4		2	28	1	10	1	10					4	16		
										1	5							5	5		
					2	10		4	29	2	7			1	16			14	21		
1			4		9	28	35	14	99	9	53	2	15	2	31	10	4	57	57		

Western Conference

					2	9		3	42	4	25	5	8					5	12		
					3	3												8	3		
					5	12		3	42	4	25	5	8					13	15		

Summary

		8	60	6	93	511	370	12	179	41	575	13	149	56	262						
1		1	9		17	59	35	17	141	18	138	7	23	3	47						
							402	2	6	9	42	4	13								
1		9	69	6	110	570	807	31	326	68	755	24	185	59	309						

LIGHT BRIGADES—1937

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

Organization Number	NAME OF CHURCH	Membership of Organization							Life M'bers.		Objectives		Box Work Estimated values, dollars only								Meetings			Stand. of Efficiency	No. Sub. Luth. B. & G.	Miscellaneous
													Home		Inner		For'n		Total							
		No. Societies	Little Lights	Lamplighters	Torchbearers	Adult Leaders	Total Active Members	Total Membership	Number Given This Year	Total Number Given by or Through Soc.	Use Reg. L. B. Programs.	Contribute to L. B. Objects	Boxes	Values	Boxes	Values	Boxes	Values	Boxes	Values	Regular	Thank Offer.	Other Public			
Eastern Conference																										
151	Atchison	1	20	25	25	3	73	73	....	....	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	10	75	...
711	Bendena	1	12	10	10	3	35	35	....	....	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	1	...	11	50	...
1044	Kansas City, Kans.	1	7	8	7	5	27	27	....	1	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	4	7	20	...
1359	K. C., Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	1	18	18	....	1	37	37	....	....	Yes		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...
682	K. C., Mo. (St. Mark's)	1	....	44	51	1	96	96	1	1	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	6	7	50	...
1015	Lawrence	1	30	35	14	7	86	86	1	1	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	1	2	7	1	...
	Lancaster	1	....	20	....	1	21	21	....	....			...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
725	St. Joseph	1	20	30	35	3	88	88	....	4	Yes	Yes	...	...	2	18	1	10	3	28	12	1	1	11	60	...
1595	Topeka	1	....	24	32	1	57	57	....	....	Yes	Yes	...	...	1	4	...	...	1	4	9	1	1	10	...	...
1710	Valley Falls	1	8	20	5	4	37	37	....	....	Yes		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	1	...	7	16	...
	TOTALS	10	115	234	179	29	557	557	2	7	9	7	...	...	3	22	1	10	4	32	113	6	15	70	272	...
Southern Conference																										
1609	Eureka	1	....	27	30	2	59	59	1	1	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	2	9	...	...
1514	Emporia	1	....	24	12	2	38	38	....	....	Yes	Yes	1	1	3	6	3	3	7	10	12	1	2	11	35	...
1606	Ft. Smith	1	....	15	....	1	16	16	....	....	Yes		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	...	9	...	...
553	Hutchinson	1	....	40	....	1	41	41	1	4	Yes	Yes	...	...	1	2	...	...	1	2	24	1	2	...	25	...
1147	Peabody	1	....	25	....	1	26	26	....	....	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	9	...	...
1329	Tulsa	1	....	40	20	1	61	61	....	....	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	1	1	6	...	...
1265	Wichita	1	60	....	45	1	106	106	....	4	Yes	Yes	1	5	1	8	...	...	2	13	24	1	2	10	50	...
	TOTALS	7	60	171	107	9	347	347	2	9	7	6	2	6	5	16	3	3	10	25	130	5	9	54	110	...
Western Conference																										
1719	Chapman	1	8	17	12	3	40	40	....	....	Yes		...	...	1	4	...	...	1	4	12	1	1	9	...	...
1747	Glasco	1	....	8	12	2	22	22	....	....	Yes		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	6	20	...
	TOTALS	2	8	25	24	5	62	62	....	....	2		...	...	1	4	...	...	1	4	15	1	1	15	20	...
	GRAND TOTALS	19	183	430	310	43	966	966	4	16	18	13	2	6	9	42	4	13	15	61	258	12	25	139	402	...

ROLL OF OFFICERS WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1938-39

Society	President	Address	Statistical Secretary	Address
Eastern Conference				
Atchison, Kans.	Mrs. Robert Coleman	516 "S" Street	Mrs. Fred Platt	Crowell & Green St.
Bendena, Kans.	Mrs. Emma Albers	Bendena, Kans.	Mrs. Martin Holshey	Bendena, Kans.
Cole Camp, Mo.	Mrs. Lawrence Frederick	Cole Camp, Mo.	Mrs. Geo. Eckhoff	Cole Camp, Mo.
Kansas City, Kans.	Mrs. George Ray	4734 Holmes Road	Mrs. H. Christensen	614 N. 16th St.
K. C., Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	Miss Lula Boersch	321 So. Jackson	Miss Katherine Jacobson	1 So. Chelsea
K. C., Mo. (St. Mark's)	Mrs. N. O. Lindey	814 E. 33rd St.	Mrs. Sigrid Hogrebe	4109 Harrison Ave.
Lancaster, Kans.	Mrs. Fred Kloepper	Lancaster, Kans.	Mrs. Irvin Morgan	Lancaster, Kans.
Lawrence, Kans.	Mrs. C. O. Aston	1228 Ohio St.	Mrs. A. E. Olson	1229 New York
Moray, Kans.	Mrs. Phillip Johnson	Troy, Kans.	Mrs. Robt. Elder	Troy, Kans.
Sedalia, Mo.	Mrs. T. W. Pease	1503 W. 3rd St.	Mrs. E. E. Sterling	1407 S. Sneed Ave.
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Topeka, Kans.	Miss Selma Johanson	329 Western Ave.	Miss Alma Nelson	835 Brooks Ave.
Valley Falls, Kans.	Mrs. Lou Houck	Valley Falls, Kans.	Mrs. A. J. Knouse	Valley Falls, Kans.
Southern Conference				
Emporia, Kans.	Mrs. Laura Spade	609 Exchange	Miss Lenora Reider	212 E. 7th Ave.
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Ft. Smith, Ark.	Mrs. J. A. King	1109 N. 33rd	Mrs. C. P. Karriker	2225 N. "I" St.
Hutchinson, Kans.	Mrs. L. E. Phillips	17 W. 14th St.	Mrs. L. E. Phillips	17 W. 14th St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Mrs. George Smith	1701 N. W. 32nd	Mrs. George Sellman	1541 N. W. 34th St.
Peabody, Kans.	Mrs. R. E. Frobenius	Peabody, Kans.	Mrs. E. Willoughby	Peabody, Kans.
Tulsa, Okla.	Mrs. B. P. Sibole	214 E. 24th Place	Mrs. J. W. Hesp	1635 E. Admiral
Wellington, Kans.	Mrs. J. S. Meyer	404 N. Poplar	Mrs. Effie Dyarman	601 E. 4th
Wichita, Kans.	Mrs. G. W. Titus	1410 N. Vassar	Mrs. E. E. Beezley	4812 E. Central
Western Conference				
Abilene, Kans.	Mrs. F. Bergstresser	515 N. W. 3rd	Mrs. J. E. Roop	R. F. D. No. 2
Beloit, Kans.	Mrs. J. J. Kindscher	Beloit, Kans.	Mrs. John Vetter	Beloit, Kans.
Chapman, Kans.	Mrs. Elizabeth Loy	Chapman, Kans.	Mrs. Sarah Lowe	Chapman, Kans.
Greenleaf, Kans.	Mrs. Gus Lobaugh	Greenleaf, Kans.	Mrs. C. A. Harkness, Jr.	Greenleaf, Kans.
Hays, Kans.	Mrs. A. M. Hahn	217 E. 7th St.	Mrs. W. H. Moeller	1207 Fort St.
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Washington, Kans.	Miss Louise Stamm	Washington, Kans.	Mrs. Mabel Kohlmeyer	Washington, Kans.
Waterville (Hebron)	Mrs. Theo. Johnson	Waterville, Kans.	Mrs. Evelyn Dubworthy	Waterville, Kans.
Waterville (St. Mark's)	Mrs. Nellie Vetters	Waterville, Kans.	Miss Maud Livers	Waterville, Kans.
Wilson, Kans.	Mrs. Mildred Shaffer	Wilson, Kans.	Mrs. Marion Vogue	Ellsworth, Kans.

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Bendena, Kans	Mrs. Harry Folsche	R.F.D. #4, Troy, Kan.	Miss Carrie Schwab	R.F.D. #1, Bendena, Ks.
Glasco, Kans.	Miss Sophia Horn	Glasco, Kans.	Elma Grau	Glasco, Kans.
Kansas Sity, Kans.	Miss Jeanette Rinard	811 Tauromee	Miss Margarette Olsen	924 Orville Ave.
K. C. Mo. (Chil. Mem.)	Miss Alverda Fennell	120 N. Van Brunt	Mrs. Frances Brentlinger	400 S. Topping
Lancaster, Kans.	Miss Elanore Kloepper	Lancaster, Kans.	Eleene Brown	Lancaster, Kans.
Lawrence, Kans.	Miss Madeline Shaw	1140 Penn.	Miss Margaret Ladwig	Wren Apt. No. 3
Valley Falls, Kans.	Mrs. Earl Ferrell	Valley Falls, Kans.	Mrs. A. P. Davies	Valley Falls, Kans.
Southern Conference				
Emporia, Jr.	Dorothy Edds	323 Rural	Carol Johns	R. F. D. No. 5
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Miss Vernice Sellman	1541 N. W. 34	Miss Marion Pederson	1424 Euclid Ave.
Oklahoma City, Jr.	Miss Barbara Blinn	2048 N. W. 22nd	Miss Ruth Chappel	2039 N. W. 20
Peabody, Kans.	Miss Linford Wehry	Peabody, Kans.	Charlotte Willoughby	Peabody, Kans.
Tulsa, Okla.	Mrs. Lela Shupert	1015 College	Mrs. Chas. D. Johnson	224 S. Phoenix
Wellington, Kans.	Mrs. John Routh	720 N. Washington	Miss Catherine Dyarman	601 E. 4th
Wichita, Kans.	Mrs. Carl Sundgren	607 N. Grove	Mrs. R. E. Broman	618 Rutan
Western Conference				
Hays, Kansas, Jr.	Norma Jean Miller	409 W. 12th	Betty Pollock	108½ E. 12th
Salina, Kans.	Miss Irene Bjurstrom	135 Baker St.	Miss Vera Lane	424 Washington

ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

The Woman's Missionary Society of Kansas and Adjacent States

Organized October 14, 1888

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Salina	Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser	Mrs. J. A. Bright	Mrs. H. F. Long
Eureka	Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser	Mrs. J. E. Herbst	Mrs. A. J. Kissell
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Constitution and By-Laws

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

April, 1937

Note: A committee on Constitution revision was authorized at the Tulsa Convention, 1935. The proposed revisions, printed in Capitals, were approved at the Salina Convention, 1936. Attention was called in the Committee Report at Wichita, 1937 that "changes adopted a year ago must be voted on at this convention, and being approved, will become parts of the Synodical Constitution." Through oversight, this was not done. The Executive Committee, feeling that the Synod wants the Constitution brought up to date, has instructed the committee to publish the Constitution, with the changes printed in Capitals. It is Synod's plan to publish the Constitution in the Minutes every five years.

W. E. Wheeler, D.D.,
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SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

of the

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

ARTICLE ONE

THE SYNOD

Section I, The Name

The name and title of the body organized under this Constitution shall be The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

Section 2, The Doctrinal Basis

1. This Synod receives and holds the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God and as the only infallible rule of faith and practice according to which all doctrine and teachings are to be judged.

2. This Synod accepts the three ecumenical creeds namely the Apostles, the Nicene and the Athanasian, as the important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures and rejects all errors which they condemn.

3. This Synod receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrines of the Evangelical Lutheran Church founded upon the Word of God; and acknowledges all Churches that sincerely hold and faithfully confess the doctrines of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be entitled to the name of Evangelical Lutheran.

4. This Synod recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the large and small Catechisms of Luther, and the Formula of Concord as in harmony of one and the same pure Scriptural faith.

Section 3, The Membership

1. This Synod shall consist of ministers and congregations in unity with the Doctrinal Basis in Section 2 received into membership as hereinafter provided.

2. Any Evangelical Lutheran minister applying for admission into this Synod and accepting this constitution with its Doctrinal Basis and who holds a letter of honorable dismissal from the President of the Synod from which he comes may upon recommendation of the Examining Committee be received into membership.

3. Any congregation located within or contiguous to the natural bounds of the territory of this Synod may upon the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod be received into membership by a majority vote at any regular convention.

4. Every congregation shall be faithful to its obligations to this Synod in all matters of support, practice, and Church government.

5. Other members shall be such as are received by ordination, transfer, or as hereinafter provided.

Section 4, Objects, Duties, and Powers

In accordance with the Doctrinal Basis set forth in Section 2 of this article and in full accord with the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America, this Body recognizes that all power in the Church belongs primarily and exclusively to our Lord Jesus Christ the Head of the Church; and all just duties and powers exercised by the Church are

committed to her for the furtherance of the Gospel through the Word and Sacraments. Therefore this body is organized:

1. To preserve and extend the pure teaching of the Gospel and the right administration of the Sacraments (Eph. 4:5-6, Augsburg Confession Art. 7.)

2. To conserve the unity of the true faith (Eph. 4:3-16, I Cor. 1:10) to guard against any departure therefrom (Rom. 16:17) and to strengthen the congregation in faith, in confession, and the promotion of the Kingdom of God.

3. To give outward expression to the spiritual unity of Evangelical Lutheran congregations, to cultivate cooperation among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the Church, and to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective.

4. To awaken, coordinate, and effectively direct and supervise the united energies of the congregation in such operations as the following:

a. The training of ministers and teachers to be witnesses of the Word; and the upbuilding, maintenance and strengthening of institutions for the promotion of such training.

b. The extension of the Kingdom of God by the support of Home, Foreign, and Inner Missions under the administration and functions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

c. The creation and development of agencies to carry on all departments of work in cooperation with the Boards, Committees, and agencies of the United Lutheran Church in America.

5. (The proper regulation of the human externals) THE CULTIVATION of worship in the congregation and family, that the same, in character and administration may be in keeping with the New Testament and the liberty of the Church, as well as the practice of the United Lutheran Church in America unto the edification of the body of Christ.

6. To solicit and disburse funds and to devise ways and means necessary for the purpose of the work defined in this constitution.

7. To ordain fitted men for the Holy Office of the ministry of the Gospel; and to suspend and depose those who dishonor it by false teaching, by insubordination, or an unworthy or wicked life.

8. To maintain discipline unto the fostering of holiness and fidelity in the ministry and people.

9. To maintain a true connection and relation with the United Lutheran Church in America and all its interests and obligations.

Section 5, Functions and Powers

The exercise of the functions and powers of this Synod shall be distributed into two departments, the Synod and the Conferences.

ARTICLE TWO

MEETINGS

1. A regular meeting of the Synod shall be held annually at the time specified in the By-laws.

2. Special meetings shall be calleed bv the President upon the request of the Executive Committee, or the written requests of one-fifth of the ministers but no business shall be transacted at a special meeting except that specified in the call.

3. One-third of the ministers of Synod with the lay delegates present shall constitute a quorum.

4. Notice of the time and place of all meetings shall be given by the Secretary by publication in the official organ of the United Lutheran Church in America at least four weeks in advance for regular meetings, and two weeks for special meetings, and by mail to all ministers and congregations of Synod.

ARTICLE THREE

Section 1, The Officers

1. The officers of the Synod shall be a President, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Statistical Secretary, and a Historian, who shall be elected at the regular meeting of the Synod. Ministers only shall be eligible to the offices of President and Recording Secretary. For administrative purposes the Synod may from time to time elect and designate other officers additional to those named in this paragraph.

2. The term of office of the President shall be for one year eligible to re-election for one year. That of other officers shall be for one year or until their successors have been elected. They shall be eligible to re-election.

3. Should a vacancy occur in any of these offices the Executive Committee shall be authorized to fill the same until the next regular meeting of the Synod.

4. The officers shall be entitled to receive the necessary expenses incident to the duties imposed by this office and such other remuneration as the Synod may determine.

Section 2, The President

1. The term of office of the President shall begin with the adjournment of the Synodical convention at which he was elected.

2. He shall have oversight of all ministers and congregations connected with the Synod and over all agencies created by the Synod for the prosecution of the general work of the Church AND AS NECESSITY ARISES HE IS DIRECTED TO VISIT THE CONGREGATIONS BELONGING TO THE SYNOD AND CONFER AND ADVISE WITH PASTORS AND PEOPLE CONCERNING THEIR SPIRITUAL AND TEMPORAL WELFARE.

3. He shall preside at all meetings of the Synod and it shall be his duty to see that the Constitution, By-Laws, and decisions of the Synod are duly obeyed and its resolutions carried into effect.

4. He shall ordain all accepted candidates for the ministerial office and install the pastors of all congregations belonging to the Synod or provide for and authorize their ordination and installation as the Synod may prescribe in its By-Laws.

5. When the execution of deeds or other instruments of writing is ordered by the Synod, or required by the Constitution, or becomes proper and necessary in carrying out the business of the corporation, the President and Secretary are authorized and empowered in the name of the Synod to Synod to sign the name and affix the corporate seal of the Synod.

6. He shall annually submit to the Synod a report of all his official acts together with such other information and recommendations as he may deem of importance.

Section 3, The Secretaries

1. There shall be a Recording Secretary of the Synod as a corporation who shall keep all official minutes of the Synod. He and any other Secretaries which the Synod may elect shall BEGIN THEIR DUTIES WITH THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SYNODICAL CONVENTION at which he or they were elected.

2. The Secretary or Secretaries shall prepare and keep a correct register of the ministers belonging to Synod with the dates of their entrance into the ministry and places of residence; also, a similar register of the congregations or pastorates connected with the Synod, of the names of the pastors serving them and of the lay delegates appointed to represent them. Accurate and faithful records of all the proceedings of the Synod shall be kept by the Secretary or Secretaries and such other duties as the Synod may from time to time direct.

3. The Secretary of the corporation is authorized and empowered in the name of the Synod to attest all instruments of writing ordered by

the Synod or required by the Constitution or necessary in carrying on the business of the corporation when signed and sealed by the President.

Section 4, The Treasurer

1. The term of office of the Treasurer shall be for one year and SHALL BEGIN WITH THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE CONVENTION WHERE HE WAS ELECTED. He shall be eligible to reelection.

2. The Treasurer shall have charge of all the moneys and accounts of the Synod, its deeds, mortgages, contracts, and evidences of claims and revenue, and of its trust funds except as Synod may specially commit to other agents, holding same at all times subject to the order of Synod.

3. He shall receive and acknowledge all contributions, donations, legacies, and bequests made to Synod, collect all interests and income from invested funds, and pay all appropriations and orders of the Synod on the several accounts as approved and directed by the Executive Committee.

4. He shall keep a regular account with each congregation of the Synod, and shall from time to time during the Synodical year inform the Council of each congregation of the state of their account, and prepare and submit at each regular convention of the Synod a tabular statement of such accounts for record and publication.

5. By and with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee he shall make change or renew investments of funds owned or held in trust by the Synod; and he is duly empowered, constituted, and authorized as the attorney in fact for the Synod to satisfy of record and mortgages, judgments, notes, or recorded evidences of indebtedness, upon the payment and receipt in full of the amounts so secured by the same, and to sign and transfer any policies of insurance or other securities that may be held as collateral to such mortgages, loans or judgments.

6. He shall deposit regularly all moneys received for any account of the Synod and make all investments, in the name of and for use of the Synod.

7. On entering upon his office he shall give satisfactory bond to the Synod for the faithful performance of his duties in such amount as the Executive Committee shall determine, which bond shall be in the custody of the President, AND THE COST OF WHICH SHALL BE PAID BY THE SYNOD.

8. At each annual convention he shall render a full, detailed, and accurate report to the Synod of all receipts and disbursements of his several accounts, with a statement of the financial condition of the Synod and its apportioned obligations to the United Lutheran Church in America, which report shall be regularly audited and certified before presentation.

Section 5, The Statistician

1. The term of office of the Statistician shall begin WITH THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE CONVENTION WHERE HE WAS ELECTED.

2. He shall send out, receive and tabulate the Parochial reports, prepare the Apportionment table, and collect and tabulate such other statistics as the Synod may direct.

3. Parochial report blanks are to be sent to the pastors of the congregations at least four weeks before the time they must be returned tc the Statistical Secretary.

Section 6, The Historian

1 It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep the file of the minutes of Synod and all official publications. He shall keep a record of the death of clerical members of the Synod and an obituary pertaining to each. He shall also make a collection of such clippings and programs of incidents in connection with the various congregations as he may be

able to obtain, and any other material which in his judgment may serve for future reference.

2. He shall keep all records in his possession in a fireproof safe.

ARTICLE FOUR

THE CONFERENCES

1. District Conferences shall be constituted, composed of ministers and congregations of the Synod located within a given territory as from time to time may be determined by the Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each Conference to care for the interests and development of the Church upon its territory; to assist in carrying out the regulations and resolutions of the Synod; and to attend to such other matters within its territory as may be assigned to it by the Synod or the Executive Committee.

3. Every pastor and congregation belonging to the Synod and residing within the bounds of a conference shall by that fact belong to that conference. Ordained ministers of the Synod not actively serving a pastorate shall belong to the conference on whose territory they reside. If any portion of a pastorate is not within the boundary lines of the same conference district, the place in which the pastor resides shall determine his own and the conference connection of the pastorate.

4. Each Conference shall meet at least once annually and as many more times as circumstances may require. Special meetings may be called by the President of the conference or as may be otherwise determined by the conference itself. One-third of the ministers belonging to the conference together with the lay delegates present shall constitute a quorum.

5. Each Conference shall annually elect a minister to serve as President and such other officers as may be necessary for the transaction of its business.

6. The Conference may adopt for itself any rules and regulations not in conflict with the Constitution and By-laws of the Synod or of the regulations and resolutions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

7. The action of the Conference shall at all times be subject to review by the Synod.

8. The President of each conference shall make a written report including an abstract of the proceedings of the conference, stating also, the conditions and needs of the Church within its bounds, and shall transmit the same to the President at least three weeks before the annual meeting of the Synod.

9. The President of Synod shall have a voice and vote in the meetings of the conferences.

ARTICLE FIVE

COMMITTEES

Section I, Executive Committee

1. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Synod consisting of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Synod, and the Presidents of the Conferences together with one layman from each conference. If the Treasurer be a layman, he shall be the representative of his conference. This committee shall be elected annually by the Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to represent the Synod and to carry out its resolutions; to attend to the business of the Synod during the interim; to supervise and provide effective agencies for the laying and collection of apportionments; to promote the interests of the United Lutheran Church in America; to receive the reports of the work and needs of the several boards and committees, and present AN ESTIMATED BUDGET OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES with apportionments to the annual convention; to fill vacancies not otherwise provided for; and perform such other work as may be delegated to it by Synod to which it shall make full report of its acts.

3. It shall cause an annual examination to be made of all investments and securities held by the Synod and report thereon.

4. It shall hold regular meetings during the interim as Synod may determine. Special meetings may be called by the President of Synod or in case of his death or removal by the Executive Secretary of the Synod. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2, Home Missions Committee

1 There shall be a committee on Missions to consist of the President of Synod, three ministers and two laymen to be elected annually by the Synod. A missionary on the funds of the Synod shall not be a member of this committee unless he be the President of the Synod. Neither shall a layman from a mission congregation be a member of this committee.

2. The committee may elect a secretary and treasurer and shall hold regular meetings as may be necessary (at least quarterly); receive reports and consider all applications for aid, and the needs of all missions and new fields on the Synodical territory, and report annually to the Synod.

3. It shall supervise and have charge of the missions on the territory of the Synod in harmony with the rules of the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America. It shall confer with the SECRETARY of said Board and with him make a budget for the the necessary funds to be expended on the Synodical territory for the year which budget shall be submitted for approval to said General Board. The budget decided upon by the SECRETARY and this committee shall represent a maximum amount for the year.

4. It may recommend a minister for the office of Missionary Superintendent to be elected by the Synod, or during the interim of the meetings of Synod he may be appointed by the Executive Committee, or if Synod decide unite with a neighboring Synod or Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America in the election of a District Missionary Superintendent, and shall arrange for an apportionment to cover the salary and expenses of such Synodical District Superintendent.

Section 3, Inner Mission Committee

1. There shall be a Committee on Inner Missions to consist of the President of Synod, and three ministers and two laymen elected by the Synod.

2. This committee may elect a president and secretary and shall meet at least as often as quarterly.

3. It shall be charged with the duty of making an annual survey of the Lutheran Inner Mission interests on the territory of the Synod.

4. It shall cultivate the ideals of the Inner Mission in the hearts of the congregations of the Synod and keep the Synod fully informed on the progress of the cause in regular annual reports.

Section 4, Ministerial Education Committee

1. This Committee shall consist of two ministers and one layman to be appointed by the President.

2. It shall be the duty of this committee to devise ways and means to encourage young men to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel; to distribute such funds as the Synod may appropriate or as may be appropriated by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America for the assistance of students for the ministry, and supervise their work under such rules as the Synod shall approve, and to present to the Synod all such information and recommendations regarding the work of Ministerial Education as may require consideration or action.

3. It shall also be the duty of this committee to encourage and aid men and women to prepare for missionary and life -service work with such appropriations as the Synod may authorize.

Section 5, Examining Committee

1. This committee shall consist of not less than six ordained ministers of Synod who shall be appointed by the President of Synod

for a term of three years in such manner that the term of at least two members shall expire each year.

2. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine into the qualifications of all applicants for ordination and admission into Synod as provided in Article Six, Section I.

3. This committee shall report to the Synod recommending such applicants as shall satisfy the provisions of Article Six, Section I, but a two-thirds vote of the members of the committee present shall be necessary for recommendation.

ARTICLE SIX

THE RECEPTION OF MEMBERS

Section I, Ministers

1. All applications for ordination shall be made to the President and referred by him to the Examining Committee which shall report on the same to the Synod and upon the recommendation of a two-thirds vote of the Synod may become members of this Synod.

2. Every minister received into the Synod and every candidate who is ordained shall subscribe to this Constitution prior to admission into membership.

A. Application for Ordination

1. The examination of candidates for ordination shall be open to all members of Synod. It shall test the general fitness of each applicant for the office of the Ministry, his reasons for seeking the office, his theological attainments, his acceptance of the standards prescribed in Article One, Section II, and his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. Applicants for ordination shall present to the Examining Committee a satisfactory written testimonial of Christian life and character FROM HIS HOME PASTOR, AND THE SEMINARY FACULTY and also of the course pursued in theological study.

3. Every candidate to be ordained by the Synod shall be at least twenty-one years of age, and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the Examining Committee that he has received a regular call from a congregation, a Synod or a Church Board, to a specific field of ministerial labor, and that he has accepted such call upon the condition of his approval by the Synod.

4. A candidate who has not received and accepted a call may present himself for examination, and if approved by the Examining Committee, he may be favorably recommended to the Synod for ordination, which shall take place when he shall have submitted satisfactory evidence to the President that he has received and accepted a regular call, and shall have given assurance of his acceptance of the provisions of this Constitution, especially Article One, Section II.

B. Of Ordained Ministers

1. Any regularly ordained minister of a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, applying for admission into this Synod, who shall furnish evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the President of the Synod from which he comes shall be enrolled as a member of the Synod.

2. Any regularly ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church belonging to a Synod not constituent of the United Lutheran Church in America, who may apply for admission into the Synod shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his ordination and of his Christian character together with a letter of honorable dismissal, or testimonial of good standing issued by the body from which he comes; he shall also be subject to a colloquium with the Examining Committee as to his acceptance of the standard prescribed in Article One, Section II, and of his loyal appreciation of the organization and work of the Synod of the

United Lutheran Church in America; and, on a favorable report of the Examining Committee to the Synod, he shall upon a two-thirds vote of the Synod be received as a member.

3. A minister coming from an ecclesiastical body other than Lutheran shall, with his application for membership, present satisfactory evidence of his ordination and Christian character, as well as his good standing in the body with which he was formerly connected. His application and testimonials shall be referred to the Examining Committee, who, in Colloquium with the applicant, shall ascertain his knowledge and acceptance of the Lutheran doctrine and practice, especially the doctrinal basis and usages of this Synod and of the United Lutheran Church in America. If such examination warrant, the Examining Committee shall, in each instance recommend to the Synod the action to be taken; and if; on favorable report of the Committee, two-thirds vote of the Synod shall approve he shall be received as a member of this Synod.

Section 2, Reception of Congregation

1. A congregation desiring admission into the Synod shall place into the hands of the President a formal application signed by the Secretary of the Church Council and by the pastor, and shall send a representative to the meeting of the Synod; it shall submit a copy of its Constitution, and of its Charter, if Incorporated. If these are in accord with the requirements of the Constitution of the Synod, the congregation may be received into membership by a majority vote of the Synod at any regular meeting. Contemplated changes of its Constitution affecting its articles of faith, adherence to the Synod, and the United Lutheran Church in America, and disposition of its property, shall be reported to the President for his approval.

ARTICLE SEVEN

MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES

Section 1, Ministers

1. Ministerial members of the Synod are those who have become such by ordination, by reception from another Synod in accordance with Article Seven of this Constitution. Their membership shall cease only by death, by regular transfer and reception into another Synod, by process under Article NINE, OR ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

2. In addition to pastors of congregations the Synod may include and continue upon its ministerial roll those who, though without active pastoral service, hold educational, executive, missionary or editorial offices to which they have been appointed by the Synod, or by the United Lutheran Church in America or any of its regularly constituted Boards which are recognized as competent to make such appointments.

3. Every minister shall conform his preaching and teaching to the doctrinal basis set forth in Article One, Section II.

4. Every pastor shall preach the Word, administer the Sacraments, conform the manner of conducting public worship to the accepted practice of the United Lutheran Church in America, using such books of worship and instruction as have been accepted and approved by the United Lutheran Church in America; he shall care for the people of his pastorate as individuals and as congregations in common faith and harmonious interests with all other members and congregations of the United Lutheran Church in America; give catechetical instruction regularly; Confirm; perform the marriage ceremony in accordance with the laws of God and the State; visit and minister to the sick and infirm; bury the dead; install regularly elected members of the Church Council, and, with the Council, administer discipline; supervise all schools and auxiliary organizations of the congregation, and promote the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in the community, in the homeland and abroad. He shall seek out and encourage young men AND WOMEN having proper natural gifts and qualifications to prepare for

FULL-TIME CHRISTIAN SERVICE; co-operate with the agencies and officers of Conference and Synod in every way to educate the people, to increase their liberality for the cause of benevolence recommended by the Synod or supported by the United Lutheran Church in America; and shall use his best endeavor to stimulate piety in the individual and family life of the people, as well as a knowledge of the Church and her work by the circulation of the literature of the Church.

5. The pastor shall keep accurate parochial records of baptisms, confirmations, members received by transfer or profession of faith, members dismissed, deceased or excommunicated, together with a roster of all communicant members of his pastorate, keeping the record of each congregation of his pastorate in a separate book which shall be the property of the congregation; and shall annually report an accurate abstract of these statistics to the Synod or to an official appointed by the Synod for that purpose, for publication in a Synodical table of Parochial Reports.

6. No minister shall preach or perform any ministerial act within the pastorate of a brother minister, except upon his request, or with his consent; nor shall he visit and preach or perform ministerial acts in a vacant pastorate except from formal invitation of the Church Council, or the consent or appointment of the President of the Synod.

7. A clergyman on the roll of Synod not engaged in regular ministerial work for a period of two or more years as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article be requested to deposit their ordination papers with the President of Synod until such time as they shall desire to resume the active office of the ministry, thus conforming to the action of the United Lutheran Church in America.

8. If any minister in good and regular standing in the Synod enters a field of labor within some Synod in the same fellowship of faith with this Synod he shall, upon application to the President, be entitled to, and the President shall furnish him with, a certificate of honorable dismissal; but until formerly received into membership of the Synod to which he has been dismissed he shall be fully amenable to this Synod.

9. It shall be the duty of every pastor, when members of his pastorate remove into bounds of another, to urge such members to connect themselves with the congregation into whose territory they have moved; to notify immediately the pastor of said pastorate of such removal; and, upon application, to furnish certificate of transfer to such as are entitled to the same.

10. All ministers of the Synod shall attend all meetings of the Synod and Conference to which they belong. In case of unavoidable absence the absentee shall send to the Secretary an excuse of his absence; and nothing shall be regarded as a valid excuse except the most urgent necessity and positive inability to attend. Repeated absence without valid excuse shall subject the absentee to discipline.

Section 2, Licentiates

1. In case of a lack of ordained ministers available to serve all the pastorates of the Synod, or for special pastoral service as need may arise, theological students, of general qualifications fitted for the ministry and having satisfactorily passed the first and second years in an accepted Theological Seminary of the Lutheran Church may be licensed by the Synod to preach and perform ministerial acts in charge of a pastorate to which he may have been regularly called, or appointed by the President of the Synod as supply pastors for a period of time, on condition, however, that such licentiate agree to return to a Theological Seminary after a period of licensed service and complete his studies for graduation in the usual course as applicants for ordination.

2. Before accepting a call a licentiate shall obtain the consent of the President of the Synod.

3. All applications for licensure shall be made to the President of Synod and by him referred to the Examining Committee.

4. Applicants for licensure shall appear before the Examining Com-

mittee who, upon satisfactory evidence of fitness and literary qualifications, may recommend such applicants to the Synod for licensure.

5. A licentiate shall have authority to perform all ministerial acts and represent his pastorate as a CLERICAL delegate to the Synod or Conference during the time specified in his license.

6. After a licentiate has taken charge of a pastorate he shall not leave the same during the time of his license without the consent or call of the President of the Synod.

7. All licenses issued by order of the Synod shall expire at the close of the next annual meeting of the Synod, but may, at the recommendation of the Examining Committee, be renewed for one succeeding year.

8. Every licentiate shall keep an accurate journal of his ministerial acts, which, with at least four sermons prepared and preached by him, and his certificate of licensure, he shall deliver to the President of the Synod at least three weeks before the annual meeting of the Synod, for the inspection of the Examining Committee.

9. Should the attention of the President of Synod be directed by common rumor or complaint to alleged offenses or incapacity of any licentiate of Synod, he shall investigate the matter; and, should he deem such action necessary, he shall immediately recall and annul the license of such licentiate.

ARTICLE EIGHT

THE CONGREGATION

1. It shall be the duty of the Church Council or Councils of every pastorate belonging to the Synod to appoint annually from its communicant members in good standing a lay delegate who shall represent the pastorate at all meetings of Synod and of Conference and submit his report to the pastorate; and the congregation or pastorate shall arrange to pay his and their pastor's expenses incurred by their full attendance upon such meetings. It may also appoint an alternate to take the place of the regular delegate in his absence.

2. Every congregation belonging to the Synod, as it has a share in all its acts and supervisions, shall comply with the Constitution, By-Laws, decisions and recommendations of the Synod and local Conference, and conform to its public worship and ministrations to the order used by the United Lutheran Church in America and approved by the Synod. It shall observe and make systematic effort to meet at least the apportionment for all objects to the Treasurer of Synod, and afford to all its members a regular channel of contributions for the benevolent operations of the church, the minimum amount being indicated by a budget of apportionment by Synod to the congregation. It shall make earnest effort to pay such amounts into the Synodical Treasury in monthly installments. It shall make due and liberal provisions for the ministration of the Word and the Sacraments, endeavor to hold at least one service every Lord's Day and see that the pastor is properly supported; and make all necessary provision for the promotion of piety in its families and for the Christian training of the young.

3. In cases of vacancy, difficulty or strife in a congregation the Church Council shall seek the advice and instruction of the President of Synod.

4. In case of strife or division; should any part of a congregation or pastorate belonging to the Synod reject the faith set forth in Article One, Section II, or revolt against the Constitutional provisions or its obligations as a member of the Synod, that part of the congregation or pastorate, whether majority or minority, of its membership which continues in unity with the Synod and its faith shall be recognized as the lawful congregation or pastorate.

5. No congregation shall make any enactments in conflict with this Constitution, or with the accepted regulations of the United Lutheran Church in America.

6. Should a pastor resign, the Church Council shall receive the letter of resignation and at once report the fact to the President of Synod.

ARTICLE NINE

DISCIPLINE

Section 1, Offenses

The offenses for which members of the Synod shall be subject to discipline are:

1. Preaching or teaching doctrine in conflict with the faith set forth in Article One, Section II.

2. Conduct incompatible with moral purity, or with the character of the ministerial office.

3. Wilful disregard of violation of the Constitution, authority and resolutions of the Synod.

Section 2, Penalties

1. The penalties which may be imposed upon ministers are:

1. Private censure and admonition by the President.

2. Public censure and admonition in any session of the Synod or Conference.

3. Suspension from the functions and office of the ministry for a designated period, or until there is satisfactory evidence of repentance and amendment.

4. Exclusion from membership in the Synod.

5. Deposition from the ministerial office.

2. Should any congregation or pastorate belonging to the Synod turn away from the faith set forth in Article One, Section II, neglect or refuse to exercise proper discipline over its members after due admonition by the President of the Synod; disparage the cause of the Christian Church and the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ through applied benevolences, it shall be excluded from membership in the Synod.

Section 3, Process Against a Minister

A. The Bringing of Charges

1. BY A CONGREGATION. If a serious accusation be lodged in writing against a minister before a Church Council by at least six voting members of a congregation, unless otherwise provided for by the Constitution of the Congregation, the Church Council shall confer with him about the same and shall endeavor to obviate all just cause of complaint and to reconcile all parties; nor shall any further steps be taken until all proper efforts to this end on the part of the Church Council have been exhausted.

If in the judgment of the Church Council a Prima Facie case has been made out against the minister, it shall report its findings in writing to the President of the Synod, specifing the charges, which must, however, be founded on the prescribed testimony of at least two credible witnesses. If the Church Council shall ignore the accusation, the members of the congregation who have brought the charges may in like manner lay them before the President of the Synod.

If a minister be charged with some specific sin not in the manner aforesaid, but by widespread rumor which is not transient, but which continues and strengthens, the Church Council shall endeavor to remove the scandal; and if it fails or finds evidence of guilt, it shall at once report the case to the President of the Synod.

2. By Members of the Synod. Three members of the Synod may prefer charges against a minister, but such charges must be specific, in writing and signed by them.

3. By the President of The Synod. Should the attention of the President of the Synod be directed by rumor or complaint to alleged offenses on the part of any of its members he shall immediately investi-

gate the matter and endeavor to remove any cause for complaint or scandal.

Should he fail in his efforts, or should he deem such action necessary, he shall appoint a committee of investigation as hereinafter provided.

B. The Preliminary Investigation

In Cases That May Require a Formal Trial

1. If any accusation against a minister of the Synod be lodged with the President by a congregation, or by three members of the Synod, he shall at once communicate with the accused respecting the matter, and, if the accused shall desire an investigation, or the nature of the accusation be such as to call for it, the President shall order such investigation by the Conference, or he may appoint a committee for that purpose, and cite the accused to appear before said committee to answer to the charge.

2. When such investigation is appointed, a copy of the complaint against the accused shall be furnished him by the President, allowing him not less than ten days between the time of his citation and the time appointed for the hearing; and if the accused should refuse or fail to appear without presenting adequate reasons why the investigation should be deferred to another time, it shall proceed in the same manner as if he were present.

3. If the findings in such an investigation show gross immorality, the same shall at once be reported to the President of the Synod, who shall immediately suspend him from the office and functions of the ministry until his case has been finally decided by the Synod.

4. If the findings of the investigations show sufficient evidence of guilt, besides reporting the case to the President, the Conference or committee making the investigation shall formulate the charges and specifications against the accused, and the President of the Synod shall furnish a copy to the accused not less than twenty days before the meeting of the Synod, at the same time citing him to appear at the said meeting, when his case shall be heard and decided.

C. Trial

1. When charges have been brought against a minister of the Synod and the preliminary investigation has shown that a formal trial is necessary, the President shall report the matter to the next annual meeting of the Synod, or to a special meeting called for the purpose, and the case shall be referred to a Committee on Discipline consisting of not less than seven members. The charges and specifications against the accused shall be presented in his presence, if he desire it. The accused shall have the right and opportunity to be fully heard and to call witnesses in his own defense, and may be represented by counsel, who, however, shall be members of congregations belonging to the Synod. The Committee on Discipline shall hear all relevant testimony and shall present its findings to Synod. If the findings be adverse to the accused, it shall recommend the penalty to be inflicted. Only those shall vote who have not brought the charges in the case. The findings of the Committee may be adopted and the penalty determined by a majority vote of the Synod; but the accused may appeal from the findings of the Committee, in which case he shall be tried by the Synod in exclusive session, and the method of procedure shall be the same as before the Committee on Discipline. In case of such appeal all penalties may be suspended until the case has been tried and determined by the Synod.

2. When a minister is charged with teaching or preaching doctrines which are in conflict with Article One, Section II, of this Constitution, the Committee on Discipline shall consist entirely of ministers and shall report its findings to the Synod. But the accused may appeal to the said Synod against the findings of the Committee, in which case the Synod shall proceed to try the charges. In acting on the report of the Committee on Discipline or in its trial of charges, the Synod shall take a vote on two counts: First, is the doctrine specified in conflict with Article One, Section

II? Second, is the accused guilty of teaching or preaching such doctrine? The guilt of the accused shall be determined only on a two-thirds vote on the first count, and upon a majority vote on the second count. The Committee shall then report its decision to the Synod, which shall determine the penalty by a majority vote; but the penalty shall not be less than a suspension from the ministry, which shall continue until such time as the accused shall have made full recantation of the errors of which he has been suspended.

3. When the Synod has made full decision in the case of the trial of the minister, the President of the Synod shall at once announce the decision, whether guilty or not guilty. If guilty the President shall pronounce the sentence in the presence of the body; also, if possible, in the presence of the person adjudged guilty, and a copy of the sentence shall be given him.

4. If in any case new evidence shall be presented to the President which shall be sufficient in his judgment to warrant a new trial, he shall present the evidence to the Synod, and the latter shall decide whether the case shall be reopened. When the penalty imposed has been greater than that of public or private censure, he shall at once call a special meeting of the Synod to consider the matter.

5. The proceedings, in case of discipline, shall not be published in part or in whole before the final decision is reached and the result officially declared.

D. Appeal From Congregational Discipline

The administration of discipline in a congregation is governed by the congregation's Constitution, but the pastor or member of any congregation belonging to Synod may appeal to the Synod from the disciplinary action of the congregation. All such appeals whether on the part of the pastor or a member of the congregation must be made in writing to the President of the Synod within thirty days after the action has been taken. A copy of said appeal shall be promptly transmitted by the appellant to the officers of the congregation, nor shall the appeal be entertained unless there is evidence that the same has been received by said officers. Upon receiving such appeal the President of the Synod shall refer the matter for investigation and determination to the Conference with which the congregation is connected, or to a special Committee appointed by him. All relevant testimony shall be heard in such investigation. The decision of finding of the Conference shall be reported to the President of the Synod and shall be final unless the Synod, at its subsequent meeting, shall determine otherwise.

E. Members Under Discipline

1. No minister or layman while under discipline or sentence of suspension shall hold any office in the Synod, or serve as a delegate, director or trustee under its appointment; and every committee, board, or delegation or body of appointees constituted by the Synod shall see to the enforcement of this rule.

2. It shall also be the duty of all pastors and congregations belonging to the Synod to respect the disciplinary action of the Synod; and for any pastor or congregation to set aside or disregard any such disciplinary action it shall be deemed a violation of order which shall subject the offender to discipline.

ARTICLE TEN

Incorporation and Seal

1. The Synod shall be incorporated.

2. The Seal of Synod presents an open Bible above which is the figure of the descending dove, emblem of peace and hope of eternal life, within a circle which bears in raised letters the name "Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States."

3. The Seal of Synod shall be in charge of the President of the Synod who shall affix it or cause it to be affixed to all documents,

certificates, deeds, legal papers, or official copies of resolutions, licenses, etc., requiring the seal of Synod.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

Constitution and By-Laws, Amendment

1. The provisions and ordinances contained in the Constitution and By-laws of the Synod in so far as the same are severally applicable, shall be of like meaning and effect in the government of the Synod and the Conferences.

2. Section 2 of Article One (subject, the Doctrinal Basis) of this Constitution shall not be altered or amended by this Synod.

3. Other articles of the Constitution of this Synod may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular annual meeting provided that such proposed amendment be moved and presented in writing by not less than five clerical members at a previous regular annual meeting.

4. This Synod may adopt By-Laws for the transaction of its business provided they do not conflict with this constitution. These By-laws may be suspended or amended at any convention of the Synod by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

5. Everything in any By-law, resolution, or enactment of Synod differing from or in conflict with this Constitution is hereby superceded and repealed.

By-Laws

General

1. Every pastor shall prepare an annual parochial report according to blanks furnished by the Synod, and all pastors and congregations shall send their parochial reports to the Statistical Secretary on or before the first day of February.

2. The Synodical year shall close with the calendar year.

3. Ministers having removed from the bounds of the Synod are urged to unite with the Synod within whose bounds they reside.

4. No letters of transfer to other denominations shall be granted to ministers of this Synod. But if one who has received aid in preparation for the ministry from any Synod of the United Lutheran Church should desire to depart from the Lutheran Ministry, in case he has served less than ten years in our ministry, no certificate of character shall be granted until he has fulfilled his obligations to the Synod which aided him.

5. It shall be the duty of every congregation in the Synod to raise the full amount of their apportionment for benevolence whether they have a pastor or not.

6. A vacant pastorate shall settle its financial obligations to the retiring pastor before electing another, or engaging a stated supply, except if in the judgment of the President it shall be deemed otherwise.

7. In all pastorates composed of two or more congregations their relationships shall not be dissolved without the consent of the Synod. In no case shall a pastor be called by any part of a pastorate, or resign any part of a pastorate, but in all cases the call and resignation shall be a transaction of business conducted by the Joint Council of the Pastorate.

8. The territory of this Synod shall be divided into three conference districts to be known as the Eastern, the Southern, and the Western. It is recommended that at least one meeting of each conference be held in the fall of each year.

9. Every pastor upon accepting a call to a pastorate within this Synod shall be installed on the first Sunday of such relationship or as soon thereafter as possible.

10. All papers of special importance to be presented to the Synod

by the President, or otherwise, must be in his hands on or before the opening of the Synod to be properly arranged and numbered by the Secretary ready to be referred to the proper committee by the President.

Executive Committee

1. The President, Secretary, and Treasurer of Synod shall be the officers of the Executive Committe.

2. The Executive Committee shall meet three times a year, including a meeting at Synod, and special meetings may be called by the President as necessity may require.

3. The Lutheran Camp shall be operated under the direction and control of the Executive committee.

4. The Executive Committee at the first meeting after the Synodical convention shall secure bids and select the printer for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

5. The Executive Committee shall receive and let bids for the printing of the minutes of Synod.

The President

1. The President is instructed to see that the expenses of retired ministers to Synod, financially unable to attend the meeting of Synod, be paid out of the Synodical Treasury.

2. The President and Secretary of Synod, or duly appointed representatives are authorized to attend obsequies of members of Synod within the territory of Synod, and their expenses shall be paid out of the treasury of Synod unless otherwise provided for.

3. The President of Synod shall be ex-officio a member of and the chairman of the delegation to the Biennial conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

4. The President shall appoint a committee to audit the books of the treasurer at a reasonable time before the meeting of Synod; who shall have their report ready to read immediately following his report.

The Secretary

1. The secretary shall receive $25.00 annually for his services.

2. The Secretary of Synod shall secure from the Publication House and keep on hand a supply of blank letters of transfer of Church members, and shall supply every pastor with them when requested. He shall also keep on hand a supply of "Pastor's Call" both to be paid for by the Synod.

3. A copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of Synod shall be sent to every new member of Synod by the Secretary, so that he may acquaint himself with the rules and regulations of this Synod. A copy shall be sent to the Secretaries of all church councils in the Synod, to be kept on file with other documents of their office.

4. In order to prevent any mistakes in the records of the printed minutes of Synod, the Secretary shall put in carefully written form the minutes of each session before their reading at the opening of any subsequent session of the convention; the minutes of the last session to be read before adjournment, and the said approved minutes shall be the official guide of the Protocal Committee.

5. The reports of all officers, boards, committees, together with all resolutions and motions, shall be presented to the convention in carefully written or printed form.

6. The retiring Secretary shall compile and have charge of the printing and distribution of the minutes.

The Treasurer

1. The Treasurer of Synod and the Committee on Ministerial Education are hereby authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the students dependent on the Synod for their support the sums promised them at such times during the Synodical year as the exigencies of the case may require.

2. The bonded Treasurer of the Synod shall be the Ex-Officio Treasurer of the home missions committee.

Statistician

1. The statistical secretary shall receive $25.00 annualy for his services.

Committees and Boards

1. A standing committee on Necrology shall be appointed to prepare suitable memorials for deceased members and arrange for appropriate memorial services to be held during the convention of Synod.

2. The Examining Committee shall meet on the day before the first business session of the the Synod, and all applicants for licensure or ordination are required to meet the Committee for examination at such time as they may be notified by the convener of the committee.

3. The amount paid any student by this Synod annually shall not exceed $250.00. The Ministerial Education committee shall be allowed to aid any student they see fit, aside from those designated by the Synod, provided the funds be in their hands to do so.

4. That at all Synodical committee meetings each member shall present his expense account to the Secretary and that the same shall be recorded on the Secretary's minutes of that committee meeting.

5. Members of elective committees of Synod shall be eligible for one re-election only.

6. Travel expenses required by pastors or laymen in connection with Synodical work shall be at the rate of three cents per mile where private automobile is used. Actual railroad fare shall be allowed those travelling by rail. Necessary expenses for hotel and meals shall also be allowed.

7. The Synod shall select six members, three ministers and three laymen, as its repesentatives on the Borad of Trustees of Midland College whose traveling expenses in attendance upon the meetings of the Board shall be paid by the Synod. The Trustees shall elect their chairman. This committee shall give to the Executive Committee of Synod a report of each meeting and make an annual report of the preeceedings of the board to the Synod.

8. The Synod shall select two members, one misister and one layman, as its representatives on the Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home, whose travelling expenses in attendance to regular Board meetings shall be paid by the Synod. The trustees shall select their chairman. This committee shall give to the Executive Committee of Synod a report of each Board meeting and make an annual report of the Board to Synod.

9. A committee on Claims shall be appointed each year by the President. All bills against the Synod not previously allowed shall be presented to this committee which shall report the same to Synod. The treasurer is authorized to pay all such bills as are allowed by the Synod.

Convention

1. This Synod shall meet annually on or about the second Tuesday after Easter.

2. The morning devotional services of the Synod shall be in charge of one person appointed in advance.

3. All ministers and lay delegates to the meetings of Synod and the Conferences shall be entertained on the Harvard plan, only lodging and breakfast being furnished.

4. The Synodical Communion service shall be held on the first day of the meeting of Synod immediately after the annual sermon by the President.

5. Delegates to the Bi-ennial convention of the United Lutheran Church shall receive $3.50 per diem toward their expenses.

Official Paper

1. The Editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran shall be elected by Synod and is empowered to select his associates. The Editor shall receive $25 annually for his services.